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poll after Budget blok W

old minority government was out voted in a division over Budget proposals last might. Immediately after the dote, Dr. Garrett FitzGerald, f the Prime Minister, said he would ask Dr. Patrick Hillery, the President to dissolve Parliament and call an election.

BL'on road to recovery?

British Leyland is well on the road to recovery, according to Sir Michael Edwardes, the chairman. He told MPs yesterday that the loss-making com-pany, which has had £990m of state funds pumped into it, would make a trading profit next year and from then on, would not need any further injections of taxpayers' money Page 15



Give-and-take Co-op Bank

The Co-operative Bank, announcing the terms of its new Cheque and Save interest-bearing current accounts, has asked holders to maintain an average credit balance of £180 a year to obtain free banking, otherwise an £18 annual service charge is incurred Page 15

180 killed in rail crashes

At least 180 people were killed in all in rail crashes in India and Algeria. The Algerian crash, near Algiers, was the worst since independence

Embryo banks nlanned

Dr Robert Edwards and Mr. Patrick Steptoe, the Cambridge-shire test tube baby pioneers, want to establish human embryo banks for use by infertile couples. The banks would contain frozen fertilized. would contain frozen fertilized,

Mugabe on one party state

Mr Robert Mugabe, Zimbabwe's Prime Minister, said in an interview with The Times that while he was for a one-party system he would not impose it illegally. He promised no blanket nationalization Page 7

Bookies pay out on 141-1 bets

Bookmakers have been advised by their representative organiration to pay out in full the 141-1 forecast bets for the Kemoton Park race on Saturday in which a betting "coup" was suspected Page 20

Jobs non-debate

The Commons debate on the new unemployment figures failed to hold the attention of most 10 noid the ditarious or most 198s. Seconds after the opening speeches had ended, only close 12 Labour memoers and 15 Conservatives were in Parliamentary report, Page 4, Frank Johnson, back page.

Fewer strikes

The number of working days lost through wrikes last year was 4.2 million, less than a third of the average over the provious decade apart from 1275 Page 15

Hygena closes

Hyzena, the Litchen furniture major which last year lost over flow has stopped trading. Closure will mean the loss of 640 jens at the Kirkby factory on Merseyside Page 15 on Merseyside

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Letters: On political strategy, from Mr Jun Lester, MP, and others; home buying, from Mr M. R. Wesle; radinactive water from Dr A. E. Hughes and others. Lexigne articles: Rall dispute: State of the Lawn; Harg and, Grown to.

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Irish to face | Government's men behind the De Lorean bonus deal

- By Anthony Bevins and Edward Townsend

The two governments appointed directors on the two board of De Lorean Motor (Cals proposed and seconded a 15400,000 bomus payments wheme for company executivities, it was disclosed last goight, hours before crisis talks between Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Northern Irispland, and Mr John De Lorean in London. government-

orrean in Linux.

The Ulster-based company and been trying to win finanland support from the Export relait Guarantee Department of thetween £30m and £35m, to held keep production going heig' keep production going.

The bonus scheme government: sources said last night, had toeen advanced by the two directors last month "at a time, when sales appeared to be buoys, at and when the financial position of the company appeared to be improving."

Government embarrassment

Gove rument embarrassment will be heightened by a written Cosumons reply last night, in which Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State for Northern Ireland, refused to say whether the covernment nominated g overnment nominated ers had voted for the

scheme.

He told "Mr Robert Cryer, Labour MP for Keighley:
These bond ses have not been paid and earlier this mouth, in the light of the company's present difficulties, the board rescinded the proposal. The worms of individual directors is a matter of commercial confidentiality.

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Fetherston and Mr James.
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seconded the bonus payments
scheme, they also proposed
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morion to restind.

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Mr retherston and Mr likely to be raised in Commons questions to Northern Ireland ministers this afternoon. Mr Cryer is second on the list for oral questions, seting the Secretary of States if he is satisfied with the current voting rights of the severament directors in the De Lorean Car Company. Ltd of Dunmurry.

The two directors were nominated to the board of De Lorean by the Northern Ireland Development Agency, which is the pight refused even to identify them. A spokesman said:

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De Lorean Sales appeared to be buoyant or that the financial position of the company ap-peared to be improving.

from Mr Butler to Mr Cryen-last night revealed that by the end of last year the company had manufactured 7,681 cars. By January 15 only 4,756 had been sold to dealers in the United States and only 3,085 retail sales had been reported. The total number of cars shipped to the United States by January 21 was 7,407 and a further 435 were in transit. by January 21 was 7,407 and a further 435 were in transit.

Mr Butler told the Commons on January 19 that because of the need for continuing government financial guarantees for the company he was arranging a review of the Government's overall relationship with the company, including representation on the board of directors."

The Government is also con-

Monday as extremely serious. He would not give details of Mr De Lorem's request for additional support, nor the prowas held in New York on Tuesday, the results of which were conveyed to Mr Prior

Mr De Lorean, whose plans for the Belfast operation have been damaged by the continuing slump in car sales in the United States, has given a warning to the 2,600 workers that jobs will be lost without new state finance. Union offic-

The company is said to need additional funds to finance a second model, larger than the present gull-winged sports car.

The financing of De Lorent, announced in 1976, has involved the Government putting in 1977, and 1978 in equity 1978 in in grants as well as loan guarantees. Last October, Mr De Lorean said he had invested \$1m, in addition to the \$5.7m design asset of the

Mr Michael Grylls, chairman "What we are attempting to do at the moment is protect our people from the press. They are busy people. We are not premared to say who they are."

The spokesman refused to provide any justification for the Conservative backbench industry committee, called on Mr Prior last night to set up a team of consultants to investigate the observations of De Lorean in Belfast and New York.

Tories expect Howe to cut income tax

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Conservative MPs and Ministers are expecting Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to cut income tax across the board this coming April, with Budget measures which are likely to include a 25 a week reduction in the tax bill for 21 million married taxpayers.

But he is also expected to tax band, would mean an increase from £11,250 of taxable income to £12,650, and the investment surcharge threshold would go up from £5,500 to £6,200.

In the current financial year, it is estimated that there are a million higher rate taxpayers and 350,000 paying investment income surcharge, compared

married taxpayers.

But he is also expected to offset the cost of this income tax hones, in part, with an increase in duties which would put at least 2p on a pint of beer, 7p on 2) cigarettes, 9p on a galion of petrol, 12p on a bottle of wine and up to 60p

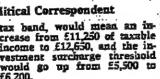
Budget, already regard it as fondamental. It is a judgment accepted on both right and left wings of the Parly.

Under amended provisions laid down in the Finance Act, 1930, indexation would affect the main personal allowances, the higher rate threshold and the investment income surcharge threshold in line with the proportion of the property of the property of the lighter rate threshold and the investment income surcharge threshold in line with the property retail. The property will have little opportunity of the property the intestment income sur-charge threshold in line with the end-of-year retail price

the end-of-year retail price index of 12 per cent.

A married men's tax allowance would riversione go up by 1250 from 12,145, an effective tax put of 15 a week; a single person's allowance up by 170 from 11,375, a rax cut of 13,27 a week; married age allowance up by 1350 from 12,895, a rax cut of 15,73 a week; and single age allowance up by 1220 from 11,820, a tax cut of 14,23 a week.

E4.23 a week indirect taxation, provide a linderation of the higher rate threshold, the 40p in the pound package,



income surcharge, compared with more than 25 million tax-payers within PAYE. But the indexation bonuses

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The Treasury has already revalued that it would cost the Eachaquer £1,012m to restore the inflation-proofing of personal tax allowances, which was started by the Rooker-Wise amendment to the Finance Act, 1977.

Sir Geoffrey failed to maintain the Rooker-Wise tax link last year, puthing an estimated \$1,250,000 low-income earners through the lower tax threshhold, and the £2,000m toat would have been otherwise left with the taxpayer in the current financial year has been lost for good.

But a restoration of inflation—This leaves the Chamcellor This leaves the Chamcellor

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But a restoration of inflation-proofing of income tax allowances.
This leaves the Chancellor with a basic deficit of more than a number of the Ministers artending this morning's meeting of the Cabinet, called to discuss the balance of the Budget, already regard it as fondamental. It is a judgment accepted on both right and left

morning will have little opportunity to advocate the ways and means of the Chancellor's Budger Statement on March 9 the choices remain his alone. The balance is expected to come down in favour of modest stimulation. The pulitical judgment at Westmuster is that indexation of income tax National Insurance contribu-tions, balanced by increases in



Fears for miners injured in blast

From John Witherow, Glasgow

There was serious concern shews from Hamilton, had last night for at least seven heard the employeen. I taken of the 40 miners injured in a to one of the miners who viast working at the base of No 2 gas nore through a shair 2.660hr shaif. he said. He was about underground vesterday.

Clasgow Royal infirmary blast and he was blown right off his feet.

Least were of the men at the heart here was blown right off his feet.

Least were wary backy burns of his feet.

Cardowan Solliery wear Changes. One many the confiners and legs. One men had a fractured skill and another a broken leg.

Dr. Killoch Anderson, the be productive for many mode distract medical officer, said wars at the 250,000 cone of the minutes.

The ignition of the methane are occurred just before S am and the blast was heard some

Many had been wearing weralls or were working stripped to the walst Families of the miners garleted monougy at the gates to

page occurred his beard some distance was the ment of the blast was heard some distance away in the small yesterday that there were fremening community of Stepps quently shall ignitions of the Ambulances and a special results of the gas down the mine. As similar fire at the colliery pithead but it was more than in 1950 caused the deaths of an hour before the first injured three men in a shalt 1,000 man was brought to the sur. Six weeks ago shout the more than a dozen men had demand warmer clothing the more than a dozen men had demand warmer clothing the been trapped underground, idicles formed at the bottom of the last miner was brought that the shalt. Is the shalt hours after the director of the NCB Scatland, and a half hours after the director of the begoest losers in the men. They were then carried contray

Two a day face rail fraud charges

the TUC needed through an suggested of support made by the separal secretary. Mr Lea Marray, during shortive peace falls lest week.

The ries of an independent inguist, with terms of reference determined by Acas in consultation with British Kall management has so far found ingle fayour among the mast man foorollatement's "executiveman footplatemen's executive. the 3 per cent pay rise heing withheld by British Rall be taken of failure to agree on productivity concessions is an entitlement from a prayloga arbitration award made last

hr Patrick Lowey chairmen, in Acas, contacted the train-divers' executive last night to explain that he would come back this morning with fuller proposals for an impury.

Murray statement

endorsed
Labour's national executive
endorsed Mr Murray's statement that British Rall should ment that British Rall should insmediately honour its agreement to may the oursanding, increase, adding that the state
enterprise as at fault in refusing to pay and falling to
the established dispute,
markinery.

The Lesiae Horisteid, MP,
her lesiae Horistei parliamentary advised to Asief said: Asief said: Asief saw has the support of both the TUC and the Labour Party. I hope this will at last convince BR and the travelling public that air only way to resolve this dispute is to pay the 3 per cent immediately.

The British Railways Board to determined that it will only

The British Railways Board is determined that it will only pay the money if Acas can persuade the train drivers leaders to accept binding arbitration on productivity.

Air: Raymond Burkton, Asie's general secretary, said the had not been officially informed of an inquiry. The amon would want to know the terms of reference before it would consider taking part.

The Chifford Rose the British Railways Board member for Railways Board member for industrial relations, has made a clear privately to Acas—of these roterning Edencil he is a member—alar the issue of

telescope the the issue of telescope the industry's eighthour day must be central to the inquiry.

A voluntarily agreed investigation redies not the true of two sides; agreeing to the terms of telerence. If persuasion fails, Acas has powers to set up its dom inquiry, but its findings would not be binding. There will be no mains today because of Asie's third two-day strike, and none on Sunday.

- BR blamed, page 2

The remains of two bodies joins helicopter search of the of the heirs came trom Signore and today near a commencery at countryside so the more of Gherin. Some of the inheritative in the central Apper Sarnano. From Christopher Walker

Mr Alexander Heig the nines names about about 80 miles north of Rome, were identified by police as those of Mrs. Jeanette May and her Italian friend. Signor a Gabriella. Guerin. Mrs. May, the wife of a British business executive, American Secretary of State, strived back in the Middle East today for the second time in two weeks with a limited series of proposals aimed at breaking the deadlock between Israel and Egypt on the vexed issue of Palestinian autonomy. It was emphasized that these did not amount to an American a British business executive, and former wife of Mr Evelyn de Rothschild the banker dis-appeared with her friend 14

months ago.

Fiastra is about 10 miles west of the village of Sarmano, where the two were last seen on November 28, 1980. They The swiftness of Mr. Haig's return to the region was seen as indicative of America's coacern about the implications for the Camp David accord if rere in the area because the Mays were buying a holiday home. The discovery was apparently

no progress is made on autonomy April 25. That is the date when the remainder of the occupied Sinai is due to be returned to Egypt. made by two young men our shooting wild boar. Poince had no immediate information on whether foul play was tus returned to Egypt.
During today's hectic round of talks, senior Israeli ministers expressed their concern at what is seen here as the recent hardening in Egypt's stand on the autonomy, issue; particularly the suggestion that any solution must be acceptable both to the Falestinians and other Arab states.

The Israeli Government also has been angreed by state means from Cairo emphasizing the need for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state in the occupied territories. Senior Israeli officials have blamed the Government of President Mujurak as the remon for the allegte change of Approach and Mr Hair, has been asked to get durition, when he first to Cairo nomerous.

Despite Mr Hale's per-found personal involvement in the autonomy negritation, semilit. Western diplomats remain sceptical that any founds can be found to bridge the mide gap between Egyp and Israel gap between Egypt and Israel on the subject. This includes such key lesses as the status of East Jerusalem and that source of authority for the proposed authority of nell. American official were refuctant to express cen pri-

The Israeli Government also

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chances of negotiating nificant president outling his letest 48-bour let die East aray. But it has been hinted that he will return to be area again before the April withdeserti. Arriving from Genevi

Mr Holg emphasized at the United States, while exious for progress, was not any deadline for the tion of an agreement Department sources has crited that Mr Haig was some sort of Israeli-Ee declaration before Anni his original goal of a agreement on principles be achieved.

Haig-Gromyko talks, p

Bodies of missing women found in Italian wood

whener rout play was suspected.

The remains were found in a wood about 700 yards from a mountain lake. The police said there was little left except bones, but they were sure of the identification because their documents and two women's land bags were near by. When Mr May visited Rome to offer a reward he stressed that his wife was carrying her passport, travellers' cheques, Italian cheque book, driving licence and air ticket, but these had never been found.

I in the 14 mounts since her disappearance, the search for the two missing women had achieved almost mythical status, far richer in false clues, blind leads and speculation than hard facts (Tony Samstag writes).



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A short chronology of the huat is as follows:
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December 7, 1980; Mr May Mr and Mrs May, shortly before she disappeared in 1980;

Chelsea take FA to High Court over ticket ban

Pope to discuss Polish crisis in Glenp visit From Our Correspondent Rome, Jan 27

Chelses Heothell Cleb are games would be all-ticket with to chillenge she Footbell Association to Chelses. The Pope will discuss the ciation at the High Court over Chelses would be required to the penalty imposed when they pay \$1,000 compensation to the penalty imposed when they pay \$1,000 compensation to the penalty imposed when they pay \$1,000 compensation to the penalty imposed when they pay \$1,000 compensation to the penalty of each home club imported. The Pope will discuss the Church's right in the Polish to Chelses had said earlier this week that he would be accounted the consultation porters on a ground at which they have no control ower decided to take legal action against the Polish Association to have the panalty against a decision such as that one of the incident of the matter is now part of the consultation which leading counted we have the panalty that the panalty the panalty the panalty that the matter is now pay \$1.000 the consultation to the consultation to the consultation to the consultation to have the panalty the panalty that the matter is now pay \$1.000 the consultation to the consultation to the consultation and club is responsible to the Biack Madeaus of Capsto chous at the football association to the consultation to the co

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, will today publish his Employment which contains further restrictions on the closed shop and opens the way for trade unions to be sued.

The Bill differs little in substance from the consultative document published before Christmas, but the Government is believed to have bowed to pressure from employers to put an upper limit on compensation payable to workers dismissed because they refuse to join a trade union in the comstances of a closed shop.

The Employment Act, 1982, as it will be known, faces much greater opposition from the ishour movement than introduced _ two registerion incroduced two years ago by Mr James Prior. The TUC General Council decided yesterday to hold a special conference of union executives in Wembley on April 5 to consider a strategy

The unions are examining a wide range of measures to frustrate the labour law reforms, and the general council forms, and the general council decided, against the advice of Mr Len Murray, the TUC general secretary, to retain the option of withdrawing from the National Economic Development Council (Neddy) and other tripartite bodies on which they sit with ministers and

NEWS IN SUMMARY '

Jobs saved for 1,900 at Odhams

Watford, which employs 1,900 people, was reprieved yearer-day when the company said that redundancy notices would not be issued as plenned.

A company statement said: "Following lengthy informal discussions yesterday, the company considered that the poten-tial resolution of all outstand-ing problems is possible."

Last week it was announced that the works would shut on April 30 after failure to reach a manning agreement with the National Graphical Association.

The printers produce mass circulation massaines for IPC and the Sunday Express colour

Three-year ban on Llewellyn Roddy Liewellyn, Princes Margaret's former friend,

breath test or give a blood or urine sample, because of his "fear of publicity", Horse-ferry Road Magistrates' Court was told yesterday.

Llewellyn, aged 34, a landscape gardner, of Waltham
Grove, Fulham, was fined £100
and benned from driving for
three years. The magistrates
heard that Llewellyn, who had
a previous conviction, was
stooped by police after midnight on June 17 last year
after he made a right turn
without indicating.

Heathrow stoppage

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British Airways European and domestic flights were grounded for about 90 minutes at Heathrow airport yesterday when loading staff walked out to attend a mass meeting on proposed new working agree-

High sheep loss

Snow may have killed 60,000 sheep in Wales and cost dairy farmers film in lost milk, Mr Alun Evans, vice-chairman of the Welsh council of the National Farmers Union, said

RAF scrambles house

Mrs Josu Donohue, aged 64, scrambled clear when an armoured personnel carrier crashed through her garden in Dijon Avenue, York, and ended in her kitchen yesterday. The vehicle, from RAF Catterick, was being used for training.

the proposition to pull out of Neddy, arguing that it was irrelevant to the frade union fight against

Cabinet policy on the unions. But Mr William Keys, leader of the printing union, Sogat, and chairman of the TUC's employment policy and organization committee, successfully argued that the boycott option should be considered when union leaders draw up their final strategy next month. TUC leaders are incensed by

what they see as a threat to the existence of unions in the Bill's clause that allows them to be sued for up to £250,000 in each case of proven unlawful action by their officials. The Bill presents a new defi-

nition of a trade dispute, excluding from immunity political strikes, inter-union disputes and industrial action against overseas targets such

In addition, employers will have the right of selective dismissal during a strike, which the unions argue will permit companies to get rid of shop stewards. Public funds for secret ballots will be extended to cover trade union votes on wage effers. wage offers.

However, the reforms do not go as far as some employers would wish. Mr Tebbit is understood to have rejected a request from the Engineering mployers. Employer Federation that Mr Murray intervened with firms be allowed to lay off

workers when faced with in-dustrial action by small groups of key workers, or in the event of a national labour crisis such es a miners' strike.

The TUC General Council also decided yesterday, by 21 votes to 17, to go shead with plans to restructure its representation on the lines of a 1981 congress resolution that would give unions with more than 100,000 members an auto-matic seat on the ruling body. A counter-move by the left

to frustrate that reform is gaining ground and it seems possible that a rival proposition to thange the trade groups within the TUC to reflect more accurately the changing nature of trade unionism may be put to the annual congress in Brighton next September.

Trade union leaders expres-sed outrage vesterday at the rise in unemployment above three million, and decided to three million, and decided to seek an early meeting with the Chancellor of the Exchequer to demand an urgent shift in policies. The annual economic review of the general council, to be published next week, calls on Sir Geoffrey Howe to im-plement a £8,400m reflation of the economy.

of the economy.

Mr Murray said union leaders were convinced that their proposals could set the nation on the road to economic recovery and full employment.

We will vigorously press this on the Chancellor, demanding early action in the Budget.

Union sinks ferry plan to beat strike

An attempt to beat the rail strike and ferry passengers by river from Greenwich to Westminster failed yesterday when two Transport and General Workers Union watermen's representatives instructed the skipper of a chartered vessel not to make the journey. Mrs. Sandy Wiseman, who said she had been asked by a

Mr X" to hire a pleasure cruiser to convey up to a hundred passengers a day, was forced to abandon the trip on the New Mary Louise after the TGWU men said that the skip-per, Mr Daniel More, would be "blacklegging" if he sailed. Mrs Wiseman cancelled two similar trips last week when the TGWU intervened, but said that she had been advised that

if she ran the vessel, which was hired at a cost of between £600 and £800 a week from Catamaran Cruisers, for all five days this week, including those when Asler were not on strike, the union would not interfere.

Mrs Wiseman claimed she had been booked to capacity last week. Then the TGWU stepped in. Only four commuters travelled on the service on Monday, the only day Mrs Wiseman has been able to run the service and eight were ready to travel yesterday, but thought potential passen-had been discouraged by last week's blacking.

Passengers were to have been charged £15 for a "season" ticket return, and £4 for an ordinary day return, "to cover the costs" of the operation. Mrs Wiseman has told TGWU representatives that she

would give any money she made from the project to the

Undeterred, she intends to run an inflatable dingly service from Putney to Westminster today as a "protest to the people to show that there is a river out there and it

Your mince may not be all that it should be

By David Nicholson-Lord

Beef mincement, that nourishing sample of stews, stock-pors and cassaroles, may not be what it seems. It could be mince, according to a report published today, but to call it beef or mest may often be stretching a point.

A survey of 118 samples of mince, bought last year by environmental health officers in London, not only detected excessive amounts of fat; many samples sold as beef also contained matter from pigs and sheep.

But perhaps most disconcer-tingly, there appeared to be little relation between price and quality. Many butchers' customers were getting almost exactly the same product whether they paid 55p or £1.10

The survey, prepared by Mr Geoffrey Fish, assistant en-vironmental health officer for Hammersmith and Fulham calls for legislation to provide maximum fat content for nince. To protect consumers, health officers should also sample more mince, and take more legal action where nutri-tional justice is not done.

More prostically, Mr Fish recommends that consumers should pay over £1.10 a pound if they are determined to secure beef, but otherwise no more than 70p. They cannot be certain they will get pure that how can they be cert beef, but nor can they be cer-tain if they pay 70p to £1.10," he says in his survey.

And since he found that fa content—up to 40 per cent in some cases egainst a recom-mended maximum of 25 per cent—did not vary with price, he says customers who want good lean mince should buy stewing steak and have it

The report, from the London Chief Environmental Health Association, has been published to reinforce calls for higher penalties under the Food and Drugs Act.

Among the survey's most depressing findings was that the most imposingly titled minces were also the fatnest. Samples containing at least 25 per cent fat were all labelled beef mince", "best mince", "English lean re-

Drug case retrial ordered

Judge Michael Argyle dis-charged the jury in a drugs smuggling trial at the Central Criminal Court yesterday after receiving information that a juror had been seen speaking to an outsider. When the trial began the

judge said it was expected to last three months and cost £12 a minute. Nine men have denied charges in connexion with the alleged smuggling of £20m of heroin from Turkey. A retrial is expected to start

per cent. Corporation tax rises from 45 per cent to 50 per cent and from 35 per cent to 40 per cent for small business

Everything goes up in Irish Budget From Richard Ford

The Irish people last night faced huge increases in the cost of living after Dr Garret cost of nying after by datase Fitzgerald's coalition govern-ment introduced one of the most savage budgets aimed at resolving the country's economic difficulties.

Mr John Bruton, Minister of Finance, spent two hours seven minutes outlining his second package of financial measures since the Government measures since the Government came to power in July. He said it was almed at "restoring stability to our national finances and thereby ensuring that such tax increases will not be necessary on such a scale

The standard rate of value added tax goes up from 15 to 18 per cent from March 1 and the 25 per cent rate goes up to 30 per cent. This is the second increase in seven

Clothing and shoes, pre-viously zero rated, will be subject to 18 per cent VAT, as will the services of berristers solicitors and eccountants. Petrol, liquor and tobacc will also cost more. A pint o will also cost more. A part of beer will go up by 2p immediately and the VAT increase will add another 2p on March 1. Spirits will increase by 4p immediately, rising to 8p next March. A gailon of petrol will ge up 8p now and another 6p in March. A packet of 20 circumstance also specific province.

rising to 11p in March. Excise duty of £20 is imposed on video players, so with the extra VAT a player now selling at £1,000 will be £1,066

A £10 levy on charter holidays

All people over the age of two traveling on charter holi-days from Ireland will pay a £10 levy from April and postal and telecommunication charges will increase by 20 per cent from the same month. Subsidies on butter are re-duced and those on milk

The banks, who had to pay a f.5m levy last July, are to pay a further f.15m this year and a special 45 per cent capital gains tax is being introduced on the sale of development land.

Tax relief on personal loans is ended and in the case of mortgages taken out after April 5 relief will be allowed only in respect of the bor-rower's main residence at the 25 per cent and 35 per cent tax rates and only up to a figure of £35,000. Tax relief on business entertaining ex-penses is also ended. The Government is going

ahead with the introduction of tax credits, but has deferred reducing the tax rate to 25

St John-Stevas urges **Budget aid to industry** charge to be drastically reduced or abolished; and for a reduc-tion of indirect taxation. Calling for help in the

Budget for the corporate sector, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, the former Conservative Cabinet minister, said yesterday that businessmen and industrislists were due a listie sun-Unless the Chancellor of the

Exchequer took positive action to stimulate the economy, the recovery would quickly peter out, without economic or polibical benefit, he said. He thought most Conservatives would went to see the stimulus operating in the corporate

"For from seeing private industry free, as we promised in our manifesto, it is the pri-vate sector which has had to

Mr St John Stevas, who has been a consistent critic of the Government's economic poli-cies since his dismissal from the Cabinet a year ago, noted that ministers had not fore-cast any sustained economic

"It is probably true that the bottom of the recession has now been reached", he told a meeting of the Tory Reform Group in Oxford, " But this has been announced prematurely so many times that a certain scepticism is not out of place." He argued for a clear policy

happens after monetarism? They needed to think of what would replace the discipline of mempoyment when it began to fal. It was time to discuss the idea put forward in opposition of a national economic forms in which government, manage-ment and unions would take

He welcomed the economic

discussion due to take place in Cabinet today, although its effects should not be exager-ated, and called for a further

opportunity for the Cabinet to discuss and influence the

discuss and influence the Chancellor's Budget proposals.

That was the established con-vention in the past and should be made the norm in the

But the cabinet should look further ahead and ask: What

"Unless we develop this and other ideas, recovery could bring about as severe a wage inflation as did the collapse of incomes policy in 1974. ∝We need no less than a

Copernican turn, away from the economics of abstract accounting to the politics of reality and abundance. We need to look at the people and the resources in the people and zlone." That would show that the long-term need was to capitalize on the benefits of North Sas oil, to use spare capacity, expand the skilled workforce and amountage new the National Insurance sur- businesses.

No legal aid for girl in rape award appeal

From Our Correspondent, Glasgow

A Scottish girl, aged 17, Wheatley described it as "a who was raped by two men violent form of rape".

and whose compensation from the Criminal Injuries ComNolan said the award was being pensation Board was reduced by a third because a conviction has been told that she does not qualify for legal sid to, appeal against that decision.
In Glasgow yesterday Mr James Nolan, her lawyer, said: "We obviously cannot charden the circle and control to the circle and circle sbandon the girl, and cover will be provided. The board had said the girl would have been awarded £2,515, but that

was being reduced to £1,677.

Mr Nolan said the girl had been convicted of a minor shoplifting offence when she was a schoolgirl. He had queried the decision with the board.
"They wrote back to say

that it was because of one previous conviction pending for theft, which just does not make sense to me. How can

you have a previous conviction pending?

Machael Ferns, aged 29, and James Paterson, aged 39, both from Glasgow, were jailed for seven years at the High Court in Glasgow for repeatedly raping the girl, who was then 16. In rejecting their appeals against the sentences, Lord

Nolan said the award was being reduced under paragraph 6C of scheme B of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme. That states that the board may consider it inappropriate that the full, or any, award be-paid, having regard to the applicant's conduct before, during or after the claim. The board also said that an

applicant with many petty offences, including "trifling thefts", may have an award reduced. The girl's father said: " I do

not understand the decision. All she has done wrong in her life was to get involved with another girl in a petty shop-lifting when she was 14 or 15. She was sent to court and got a six months deferred sen-tence."

Mr David Marshall, Labour MP for Glasgow, Shettleston, said: "I cannot understand the board being so apparently heartless. I have lodged a priority question with the Home Secretary which has to be answered before Friday." Ronald Butt, page 12

POLITICAL **SCIENTIST BACKS PR**

Professor King, head of Essex University's department of government and a leading political scientist, told an audience at the Royal Society of Arts in London that his view of the system had changed over the last few years. When he had appeared be-

years ago, he said, he had defended the first-past-the post system. Since then he had come to favour, on balance, a system of proportional representation for both moral and political

Party on psephological issues, said: "The British party system is no longer a two-party system." British governments were less stable and less rep-

Benefit for jobless at **1951** level

As the Cabinet meets roday to consider its Budget strategy on benefit levels, figures calculated by The Times, officially confirmed to be accurate, show that unemployment bene-fit has fallen almost to its 1951 value compared with wages. Because earnings related supplements were abolished month, the thousands joining the dole queue this year are entitled only to the flat rate of In 1951 unemployment bene-

fit for a single person was worth 15.9 per cent of swerage earnings for male manual workers and 25.7 per cent for a married couple. The change last November made the value compared with earnings 17.5 per cent for a single person and 28.3 per cent for a married

and 1981 unemployment bene-fit was worth more compared The figures for last November were produced from formules contained in Social Security Statistics 1981 and confirmed by the Department of Health and Social Security.

The department emphasized however, that the figures could not be regarded as official because of the provisional which they were based. wages is worse than the offi-cially acknowledged, although

underestimated, decline in value compared with prices. The official figures show that flat-rate unemployment benefit was worth £21.81 a week (at April, 1981, prices) for a single person last November comperson last November, com-pared with £22.74 in Novempared with £22.74 in November, 1979. For a married couple unemployment benefit had fallen from £36.82 in November, 1979, to £35.28, in real terms, last November.

The reductions in real value underestimate the drop, however, because they are based on the assumption that inflation would be 10 new cent because they are based to the assumption that inflation would be 10 new cent because they are they are cent because they are cent because they are cent because they are cent because they are the

on the assumption that infla-tion would be 10 per cent be-tween November, 1980, and November, 1981. Inflation was closer to 12 per cent. The Government is commit-

ted to make good that 2 per cent shortfell for pensions and other long-term benefits. It is under pressure to restore it for the other groups affected, in-cluding the unemployed. Frank Field, page 12

great mother mouse By the Staff of "Nature"

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The surprising suggestion that all laboratory mice are descended from a single matriarch, which might have been the object of forfanciers in New England in the 1920s or even of cult worship in an ancient civilization, has been made by Dr Allan Wilson and has colleagues at the University of California at Berkeley. They base that suggestion upon a molecular biological study of genes which mice can inherit only from their mothers. Like any other animal. inherits

genes from both parents. These genes are carried on the chromosomes of the speam and egg. However, a few genes are inherited only from the mother. Those are found within tiny cellular particles called mitochondria, vhose prime function is to consume oxygen and produce energy in chemical form.

Although mitochondria are present in both sperm and egg, those from the sperm do not enter the egg upon fertilization. Therefore, it is only the managed it is only the maternal mito chondrial genes that are heritable.

To compare the misochon-drial genes of different strains of mice, Dr Wilson and his colleagues fragmen-ted the genes with the aid of compared compared. of enzymes and compared the pattern of fragments obtained. A wide variety of obtained. A wide variety we patterns was found among wild mice but only a single pattern was found for all the old inbred laboratory stocks of mice. That strongly suggested a

the inbred stocks. By con-trast, similar studies of nuclear chromosomes reeven among laboratory mice, reflecting the use of male wild mice to introduce genetic diversity into domestic Laboratory strains of mice

mum of five mothers, used United States and Europe early this century. How can this fit with Dr Wilson's claim of a single founding mother? Either the records must be incorrect because of inadvertent cross-breed ing or all five recorder mothers were derived from more ancient matriarchal mouse. All five were prob-ably obtained from the pet trade and might have originated from the indigenous domestic mice of China brought to Europe by trailers early in the nineteenth

In early civilizations, mice were often associated with diseases and their cure. Apollo, a god of medicine, was worshipped as an oracular mouse at Delphi, hence one of the god's names is Apollo Smintheus or Apollo Sminth "mousy" Apollo. That cult might have its

roots in ancient Palestine. Thus, in the first book of Samuel, when the Philistines have been punished by a plague for taking the Ark of the Covenant from the Israelites, they are advised by their priests to return the Ark together with a pro-pitiatory gift of five gold It is possible that the uni-

formity of mitochondrial DNA observed by Dr Wilson reflects a uniformity established by random genetic processes in a small mouse population domesticated in ancient times. Although the exact genealogies and origins of mice and other domestic animals will never be known, the work of Wilson and his colleagues illustrates how fascinating clues can be uncovered by the use of new scientific techniques. Source: Nature, vol 295, p 163, Jan 14 1982. O Nature-Times News Service, 1982.



AT THE MERCY OF THE ELEMENTS Marcus Binney examines some techniques employed for conserving outdoor sculpture. A CONNOISSEUR'S COLLECTION Francis Russell writes about the collection of paintings created by the 2nd Viscount Palmerston at Broadlands, Hampshire.

THE TASTE OF RICHARD PAYNE KNIGHT Nicholas Penny describes Downton Castle and its landscape, home of Payne Knight, the Picturesque theorist. PORTRAIT AWARDS, 1981 ses the winning entries in this year's competition, on display at the National Portrait Gallery.

Metro men win again.

BL's Austin Metro have won yet another importantaward - the 8th in the car's short history

The Institute of Production Control have given their premier award to the team that organises Metro production.

It recognises the tremendous contribution made by BL Cars production engineers to the Metro's overall success.

computer controlled production techniques have allowed BL Cars to manufacture several different variants while retaining the cost benefits of highly automated production.

These techniques are helping BL Cars to launch even more Metro deriva-

BR blamed for 'institutionalized fraud' From Craig Seton, Portsmouth fraud. Their pleas were accep-

British Rail was criticized by he said eminently respectable a judge yesterday for its failure men had been "sucked into a to prevent "institutionalized situation where they were exfraud" by railmen at a South-posed to temptation. ern Region depot where one man claimed nearly £3,000 in overtime he had not worked.

Portsmouth Crown Court was told it was common practice over many years to claim for non-existent overtime at Havant permanent way depot in Hamp-shire. All 10 office staff and others were said to have known about the practice.
Southern Region said last night the allegations made in

court were the subject of an internal inquiry, which had now ended. But the National Union of Railwaymen said claims that the practice was widespread were rubbish. Judge McLellan sentenced a supervisor and an acting supervisor, with 54 years' service between them, to four and three months' imprisonment respectively, suspended for 12 months, after they had admit-

ted helping a timekeeper to

posed to temptation.

It was the second time since Monday that railwaymen from Havant had been sentenced for their part in the fraud. The timekeeper, Robin Dandy, aged 37, was jailed for four months on Monday, and another former acting supervisor. Afford Grimes, how revisor, Alfred Grimes, now re-tired, was given a four-month suspended sentence for issuing false time sheets.

Yesterday, Stanley Stedman, aged 56, of Portsmouth, a supervisor at Havant, admitted two charges of concurring with Dandy to present false time sheets for 144 hours overtime and 10 hours overtime respec-tively in January, 1978 and January, 1979. Peter Bettles Hall, aged 50. an acting supervisor,

Havant, admitted two similar

charges between January, 1979 and June, 1980. Stedman, who joined BR in 1981, denied two similar

Mr Guy Boney, for the prosecution, said the charges admitted by Stedman were samples, but the two against Betries Hall were the only occasions when he had acted in Dandy, aged 37, had been a mekeeper at Havant since 1975 and one of his jobs was

to prepare his own weekly time sheets, which were sent to a superwisor for checking. Between January, 1977 and June, 1980 Dandy submitted 182 weekly time sheets, of which 130 were false claims for avertime. As a result he received £2,850 he had not earned, Mr. Boney said. Of the 130 false claims, 77 were countersigned by Stedman, putting \$1,657 into Dandy's pocket. £1,687 into Dandy's pocket.
Mr Bettles-Hall bad taken

over from Alfred Grimes, and told Dandy what he could claim for.

Judge McLennan told the
defendants: "What I have
heard today is an alarming
account of institutionalized

By Ian Bradley

The powerful arguments usually advanced to support the British electoral system no longer hold, Professor Anthony King said last night.

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Professor King, who has been advising the Social Democratic

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SUMMARY

Bard series gets a new producer

The BBC yesterday gave a ogress report on what nathan Müler, one of the rticipants, described as its ardathon", the production er a 61/2-year period of all Shakespeare plays enneth Gosling writes). In the past two years Mr lier has produced eight of plays and directed three, d he has now handed over series producer to Shaun former head of ama for BBC Television.

The transfer has been rected during production of e three parts of Henry VI, ked with Richard III, to be reened as a four-part, 14 Mr Sutton's next pro-ction will be King Lear, th Michael Hordern,

ected by Jonathan Miller. Other productions this ar include Macbeth, rected by Jack Gold, and imbeline, by Elijah mbeline, by Elijah oshinsky. David Jones, the rmer Royal Shakespeare mpany and BBC producer, rects The Merry Wives of indsor, and Pericles next

The entire project is due r completion by the spring

rugged driver eeps licence

Staff Sergeant Raymond with, of the Royal Marines, 10se car was in collision th another car and a ravan on the M5 motorway nen drugs given him after a ir transplant made him fall iconscious at the wheel, is given an absolute disarge yesterday. Smith, aged 38, of the

ommando Logistic Regi-ant, based at Stonehouse, ymouth, admitted driving aile unfit through drugs, it magistrates at Whit-inster, Gloucestershire, inster, Gloucestershire, inster, Gloucestershire, inclined to ban him from iving after hearing that a Tamworth. iir clinic at Tamworth. affordshire, failed to warn m not to drive after taking sedative.

ear of violence alts marches The Home Secretary yes-

rday announced a ban on I marches in Coventry this eekend because of fears of ashes between Sinn Fein 1d the National Front. Sir Philip Knights, the lest Midlands Chief Con-able, told the ciry's public rotection committee that if se Sinn Fein march planned or Sunday was to have been eld in isolation he would ave allowed it, but he feared erious public disorder after eceiving applications by the lational Front and the New lational Front to hold

Norwich homes decision delayed Norwich City Council must

wait for a decision on its renewed attempt to stop a Whitehall takeover of the sale of its council homes. The Court of Appeal in

London yesterday reserved judgment on the Labour-controlled council's appeal against the decision of Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, to assume control of the sale of council houses in the city. He stepped in after accusing the council of dragging its feet over house sales. A decision is expected within the next two weeks.

Housing aid for gay couples

Oxford City Council has decided to give homosexuals aged over 35 who live together the same number of points on its housing list as married couples without There are more than 3,000

formalities to other doctors or dentists.

It says: "It is important to eliminate unnecessary radi-ation exposures and to avoid families waiting for houses in Oxford and the council's controlling Labour group was worried because single examinations where the need is not established or rep-etition is fruitless". people living together were finding it impossible to get a house. Conservatives on the Dr Oliver said the risks council argued that the move from routine X-ray examinwas immoral. ations were extraordinarily

Death case man on theft charge

David Hampshire, who is wanted for questioning in connexion with the death of Miss Julie Deakin, appeared in court at Dunmanway, co Cork, yesterday charged with theft. He was remanded in custody to appear at Clonakilty court on Tuesday, Buckinghamshire When Police are expected to apply. for his extradition.

Miss Deakin, aged 18, was found dead in the bedroom of her home at Newport Pagnell, Buckinghamshire.

Flood relief

Cheques ranging in value from £8,000 to £37 were distributed by the National Farmers' Union in Somerset yesterday to 45 farmers whose farms were flooded when the Bristol Channel burst through sea defences in indoor sports, fewer than in last month. The money is any other English region intended to help to cover the except the South, and participation in most outdoor sports

Human embryo banks proposed

By Annabel Ferriman Hëalth Services Correspondent

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Human embryo banks for infertile couples are being planned by Dr Robert Edwards and Mr Patrick Steptoe, the test-tube baby pioneers

The banks will contain frozen fertilized eggs for use either by the mothers from whom the eggs have been extracted or for women who cannot conceive in the usual

way.
Women attending the Step-toe and Edwards clinic at Bourn Hall, Cambridgeshire, often have more than one egg taken from them for fertiliza-tion by their husband's sperm. Two of the fertilized eggs

are usually reimplanted three days later, but if freezing techniques prove successfu. any surplus eggs could be stored for later use.

New fertility drugs could also make it possible for women to produce as many as seven or eight eggs each month, so a large number could be stored.

The disclosure, in a Television South (TVS) documentary to be screened on Tuesday, is bound to fuel the controversy over test-tube baby experiments.

Dr Michael Thomas, chairman of the British Medical Association's central ethical committee, has called for a moratorium on test-tube baby work until its ethics have been more widely discussed. He thinks that "in vitro" fertilization may increase the risk of congential abnormalities, and that simply being infertile does not justify the risk, since "no-one dies of infertility." His committee is going to debate the subject on February 10.

The programme, the Test Tube Explosion, shows that 28 test-tube babies have been born, 13 in Britain, 14 in Australia and one in the United States. The Bourn Hall Clinic claims 100 preg-nancies, including three sets It focuses on Natalie Cur-

tis, Britain's fifth test-tube baby, who was born on September 23, 1981, to David and Maria Curtis, from Kent. Her birth came after treatment at the Bourn clinic a

Recording

of X-rays

is opposed

By Our European Political Correspondent

All radiological examin-

ations from tooth X-rays to

lung cancer tests, will have to be entered on a personal

record card by doctors and

dentists if a European draft

directive is adopted.

But from evidence offered

by the Department of Health and Social Security and

professional associations, the

British Government seems certain to veto the idea. Lord Seebohm, chairman of the House of Lords Select

of the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Community, envisaged the circumstances in which he went to the dentist and needed an X-ray, but before it could be carried out the record would have to be consulted to see whether he was likely to be exposed to more than the safe limit of radiation.

Lord Chitnis, the Liberal peer, said that in West Germany everyone had to carry record cards on vacci-nations and immunization

injections, so why should not cards showing exposure to radiation be carried.

Dr Ronald Oliver, senior principal medical officer at

the DHSS said: "That causes

us concern, both from the point of view of cost and also the impact it might have on the confidentiality of

He said that even if there vere radiological record

cards, a doctor might not accept information obtained

from an earlier X-ray taken

by another doctor. The draft directive calls on

member states to set up a system so that X-ray records

are available without complex

The chance that a chest X-ray might induce

cancer was one in a thousand

power station, Alexandra Palace and the London docks

the Greater London and

South-east Council for Sport

Recreation

yesterday.

For while the past decade

has seen a marked expansion

in provision for some sports facilities are still inadequate

and underused, the council said, in a report.

Only 19 per cent of the

adults in the region take part

and

patients' records."

Mrs Curtis holding Natalie, Britain's fifth test-tube baby. Dr Edwards, speaking on But he says that during produce clones. It would the programme, says that he freezing and thawing a chrowould like to establish emmosomal imbalance might tested for chromosomal bryo banks once he is occur. The frozen embryos abnormalities, such as hae-satisfied that freezing tech- could be kept for many mophilia and muscular dysniques would not affect the years.
embryos adversely.

He admits his fears are would

fishing fleet got a blunt answer yesterday from Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Min-

ister of State for Agriculture and Fisheries, when he addressed the Commons

standing committee on Statu-

tory Instruments. He acknowledged that the

freezer section of the fleet

faced difficulties, and re-ferred to the sale of the

famous trawlers, Arctic Gallard and Arctic Buccaneer, of Hull, to New Zealand fishing companies. But he added: "This has nothing to do with the Common Market.

That is why I find totally mischievous some of the

criticisms made in recent

weeks. I an mot making a political point.
"The major problems for the deep sea fleet have been the extension of fishing

limits by countries like Iceland, Norway and Canada to 200 miles."

Commons Select Committee on Welsh Affairs was told

The average water bill last year in Wales was £66, while in the neighbouring Severn district households paid on

average £57 for water, a large part of which came from Welsh sources, the Welsh Consumer Council told the

council's research officer, said it was in favour of a surchage on Welsh water supplied to households in the

Severn area, Cheshire and

Lancashire.
He cited a number of

letters to the council. One

£80m plan for sports facilities urged

unemployment, the council

which has a quarter of England's population and covers London, Kent, Surrey and Sussex, needs sports halls

in another 126 areas, another

59 indoor swimming pools (25

as replacements for old baths), and an extra 49 all-

weather pitches. There are 160 school sports halls from which the public are excluded,

49 in areas where sports halls

Large-scale developments could include Battersea power station, due to cease

generating next year, where

are needed.

The Brooklands racing is low. Far from being ready. circuit, in Surrey, Battersea for a future of shorter power station, Alexandra working time and mass

should all play a part in an says, "those responsible are 180m programme to develop not even coping with present sport and leisure facilities for the 10,500,000 people in London and the South-east, which has a quarter of

committee.
Mr Philip Woods,

yesterday.

The British Government

Edwards thinks

Dr Edwards thinks it would also be useful to be largely theoretical, because able to divide human emanimal embryos have been bryos, just as animal emsuccessfully frozen for years. bryos have been divided to

the Government made in a letter to The Times yesterday

by Mr Neil Parkes, chairman of Boston Deep Sea Fish-eries, who, he said, claimed

that the ministry was drag-

ging its feet in the EEC

"If he wants a solution which is unsatisfactory in

meeting our problems, we can get it tomorrow". Mr Buchanan-Smith said. "It is

just because ministers are

prepared to stand by our fishing industry that these negotiations have been so

settlement just for the sake

He told the committee

which was examining a statutory instrument to con-tinue the scheme offering 25

per cent grants for new fishing vessels and equip-ment that in 1979-80 £7m had

been provided under the

Lancashire, one in particular has a lage house, much

bigger than mine.
"His water rate is in the

region of £60 and his supply, I believe, is obtained from Lake Vyrnwy (on the Montgomery-Shropshire border)."

Mr Woods said the council

accepted that the Welsh Water Authority's water sys-

tem was more expensive to run than some of its British

counterparts.
In the short term the council wanted a surcharge on supplies of Welsh water to England, but believed that the public's interests would be best served by charging for water through income tax

for water through income tax and the formation of a water

three sports halls, 20 squash courts, an ice rink, target

ranges and a host of other facilities could be provided in the brick shell.

Brooklands, the former racing circuit near Byfleet, could house motor museum,

water sports and an indoor

athletics arena in a hangar on

the site. Alexandra Palace, in north London, should have an ice rink and indoor arena,

Wembley stadium should be

nodernized, and the potential of the Thames, the docklands and Lee Valley regional park should all be developed.

are estimated at £25m.

prolonged.
"We will not accept

of a settlement."

Worry over Welsh water

Water from reservoirs in have relations in Prescott, Wales costs the Welsh more Lancashire, one in particular than it does the English, the has a lage house, much

Welshman wrote: "My water consumers' council for the rate this year is £112.65. I whole of Wales.

negotiation.

EEC 'not to blame

for fishery troubles'

Critics of the Government had gone out of its way to who claim that ministerial help the freezer section by directions and orders from varying quotas so that it the EEC Commission in could switch between herring and mackerel fishing, Mr

Brussels have caused a and mackerel fishing, drastic depletion in the Buchanan-Smith said.

Mr. Steptoe defends the right of infertile couples to seek help through "in vitro" fertilization.

Plays were too alike, court told

William Douglas-Home, the playwright, in his play, The Kingfisher used material-based on scripts adapted by Mr Basil Ashmore, the stage director, from the work of three playwrights, it was the base will receive into the cash. But the cash is the cash of the cash is the cash of the ca alleged in the High Court yesterday. Mr Ajnthony Hoolanan.

QC, told Judge Mervyn Davies that in 1967 Mr Ashmore sent Mr Douglas-Home three adapted scripts



William Douglas-Home: Counter claim.

with a view to the playwright's contributing an ep ilogue for a play entitled The Cuckoo's Progress.

The two men could not agree on a satisfactory ending for the work and the epilogue remained unwritten. Ten years later, counsel said, Mr Ashmore read a review of The Kingfisher, which opened at the Lyric Theatre on May 4 1977 ctayring Sir Ralph 4, 1977, starring Sir Ralph Richardson. When he read that review he said to himself: 'My goodness me, that is The Cuckoo's Progress': counsel said.

Mr Hoolanan was opening an action by Mr Ashmore, of Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire, for order prevent hamshire, for order preventing Mr Douglas-Home, the
Lyric Theatre Commpany, Mr
Thomas Henry John Gate,
the pr oducer, and Lisden
Productions, of Piccadilly,
London, from infringing-his
copyright. He also sought
damages alleging wrongful
use of condidential information. mation.

All the defendants denied breach of copyright and Mr Douglas-Home also counterclaimed for damages, alleging libel ina letter written by Mr Ashmore in 1977 to Mr David Grant, then manager of The Kingfisher. Mr Ashmore denied libel and pleaded justification.

Mr Ashmore had compiled The Cuckoo's Progress from single-act plays. The first, The Constant Lover, by John Hankin, was a Victorian romance about a young couple who met under a beech tree. In the final scene the

lovers were to meet again under the tree. Mr Douglas-Home wanted a happy ending; Mr Ashmore did not. The relationship between the two men ended in 1967. Ten years later Mr Ashmore recognised his own

The council costs its promaterial, and, particularly the theme of the lovers and the beech tree, in The posals at just over £80m much of it being small sums to upgrade school sports Kingfisher.
The case continues today. halls. Extra running costs

double muddle

By Michael Baily **Transport Correspondent**

Bus and Tube fares in London will double on March 21, despite an equivocal vote by the Greater London Coun-

Labourdominated council voted on Monday against London Transport's specific proosals for fare rises, which were approved in principle a formight ago. In a series of confused votes Conservatives joined Left-wingers in opposing some proposals so London Transport's power to implement them could technically be inhibited. Mr Kenneth Livingstone,

the Labour leader, described the debate as meaningless and said the earlier decision still stood. Sir Peter Masefield, chairman of London Transport, said he would be pressing ahead with the

measures.

"London Transport will go quietly ahead with preparations for 100 per cent increases based on the revised budget which was approved in principle by the council on January 12," he said vesterday.

said yesterday.

The rises will mean a 20p minimum fare on the buses and 40p on the Underground. They are expected to result in a 20 per cent loss of traffic, compared with a 12 per cent gain as a result of the Fares Fair policy, but will increase revenue by 55 per

writes).

Westminster City Council has placed advertisements in tomorrow's local newspapers telling some of its ratepayers to expect a cash refund, but in neighbouring Kensington and Chelsea refunds will not be paid automatically. Rate-payers who paid the sup-plementary rate will be asked to aree to have it credited to next year's account. Both Westminster Censington have decided to

collect the part of the supplementary rate which was to pay for the Inner London Education Authority's 4.7p precept.

Westminster will automai-

cally repay the 9,000 ratepayers who occupy single properties and have overpaid, out those who occupy more than one site will have to ask for the cash. Both groups will receive interest calculated at an annual rae of 13

rise by between 12 and 15 per cent this year at the cost of severe cuts in services and 2,000 compulsory redun-2,000 compulsory redun-dancies (a. Manchester correspondent writes). Mr Morman Morris, labour

leader of the council, said last night that the city faced a £35m deficit and the alternative to cuts and redundancies was a much bigger rate increase.
"It is appalling, People will suffer. People we serve will feel the results of what the

government has done in setting these cash limits", Mr Morris said. "On the other hand, if we piled it on the rates there would be appaling consequences for end-

LT fares to | Career girls 'steered despite vote into low-paid jobs'

By Our Education Correspondent

by teachers, careers officers and employers, who steer them instead into jobs as clerical workers, shop assist-ants and into other work with low pay and poor prospects, according to research findings published yesterday.

The research, which was funded by the Equal Opportunities Commission and carried out by Dr Yves Benett and Dawn Carter, of Huddersfield Polytechnic, was based on interviews with more than forty girls from one unnamed locality, who had good academic achievements but left school at 16.

Dianne had six O levels (grade C, or above), including mathematics, physics and chemistry, and three CSE passes. When she told her teachers she wanted to go into engineering they laughed and gave her no advice on how to go about it, she says.

Nevertheless, she took a selection test for an engineer. there were no prospects for ing apprenticeship with a local girl mechanics. Today she firm, passed it and was interviewed. The personnel officer "asked how I could cope if I rose to the top of the firm ... He made it clear he did commission, Overseas House, job and did not want me to get 3HN).

Intelligent and ambitious girls it . . . He said: We have never are dissuaded from following had a girl here yet. The careers in engineering and atmosphere was very tense. He other traditionally male jobs asked how I would feel working with men; he went on a lot about this."

In the end another pupil from her school, a boy, with lower qualifications, got the apprenticeship. Dianne now works as an office clerk. Jone:

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Pamela, who had seven O level passes, wanted to go into banking and to study for the Institute of Bankers qualification, which is im-portant for promotion, through day release courses,

"The manager said day ... release was mainly for men, for those men who want to become managers. He said he discourages women from going on day release because they tend to leave, have babies and break their career", she explained.

Lesley was determined to become a motor mechanic, with her parents' backing. During an interview with a careers officer she was told there were no prospects for works as a shop assistant.

Sidetracked? A look at the care

Art dealers to lobby on premium

The Office of Fair Trading said yesterday that it had not received the body of evidence on the buyer's premium promised by the Society of London Art Dealers

The decision to hand over the evidence was announced to members of the society in a confidential newsletter dated January 11, sent by Mr John Baskett, chairman of

the society.

The evidence, originally amassed by the dealers to fight Christie's and Sotheby's in the High Court, is needed by the office for an inquiry into whether the auction houses breached restrictive practices legislation when they introduced the premium

Yesterday some Mayfair Friday, the society said it was likely to be handing over the evidence within 48 hours", one said. In the meantime, however

the society has launched a lobby of Parliament for the abolition of the premium. A letter has been sent to all members enclosing copies of a leading article on the buyer's premium published in *The Times* on January 16. Last October the dealers settled with the auction houses on the eve of a High Court hearing on condition that the auction houses reviewed the premium.

was that Sotheby's decided difficulty in switching four the premium should stay at others for technical reasons, 10 per cent and Christie's and conceded that it had

Midlands plea on TV picture

From Arthur Osman

The East Midlands forum of county councils, which was instrumental in winning a separate television service for the region from the Independent Broadcasting Authority, said yesterday that it would probably approach Mr Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, about re-ception difficulties for

After talks with IBA representatives a spokesman for the forum said: "We found what they had to tell us was disappointing, because very little progress has been made in the 14 months since our last meeting with them.

"We do not understand why a body like the IBA, dealers expressed concern having taken the decision to that the evidence had not bring us a service at last, been delivered. "On the BBC should be so sluggish in Newsnight programme last providing the necessary hardware."

> The start of the separate service has been delayed by an electricians' dispute at Independent Television's Central studio near Notting-ham. A condition of the franchise awarded to Central, was that it must become a

dual region. Most sets are tuned to the Sutton Coldfield transmitter, near Birmingham. But the new service will be broadcast by the Waltham transmitter. in Leicestershire, with small relay stations in Nottingham-shire and Derbyshire being switched to Waltham.
The IBA has said it had

done little work on the

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Unemployment

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, opening a debate on unemployment, said debate on unemployment, said there was a growing mood of realism among the workforce, even if it was not too widely evident among the higher echelons of some trade unions. In 1981 the number of days lost through strikes was less than a third of the average over the past 10 years. These advances had shone through in increased productivity, comptitiveness and export success and provided an export success and provided an increasingly firm foundation for

increasingly firm foundation for future expansion.

Mr Tebbit said when the Conservatives came to office they had faced stored up problems of poor industrial performance, years of stunted and inadequate growth in productivity and years of excessive growth in wages as compared to productivity. of excessive growth in wages as compared to productivity.

He moved a Government motion: "That this House, greatly concerned about the difficulties facing those who cannot find jobs, suports the Government's policies which are helping to make British industry more competitive and which therefore offer the best prospect of a permanent improvement in of a permanent improvement in job opportunities for the people in this country." He said the Opposition and the

Government were on common ground in their feelings about the sad statistics and the plight of the memployed and their families. There was no disagree-ment that the three million unemployed represented a tragic waste of human resources which none could contemplate other than with deep regret. Did any government believe that Britain could insulate itself from the impact of the world recession, brought about by a succession of oil price rises?

President Mitterrand's France had two millions unampleved.

had two millions unemployed. West Germany had 1,700,000 the highest figure since the early post war years. In Germany, Holland and Sweden unemployment had increased by about 50 per cent in the past year. If the Opposition felt that Britain's unemployment was due to the. opposition test that britain's unemployment was due to the. Government's policies, how did they explain the unemployment in these other European coun-

Unemployment was falling as a consequence of the policies of the IMF years, but inflation was already being stoked up again. Inevitably as the recession struck, unemployment rose, executated by lack of competitionness. Through that decade of de-

Through that decade of de-cline, their recessionary trough was marked by new peaks of unemployment. There were the old problems of poor product design, bad marketing, slow delivery, unnecessarily high costs, and inflexible use of

Peers want

Britain to

join EMS

House of Lords

Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition: You are not fit to answer for any Government, even this one.

Mr Tebbit: Although that may be Mr Foot's view, it is not the view of the electorate. What is more Mr Foot has lost 25 members of his party in the last two years. (Conservative cheers)

constructive proposal. Mr Tebbit Attempting to deal with the problems without going into the background is extremely

unwise.

If he as a doctor treated his patients without diagnosing them, I can see why he came to the House of Commons. (Prothem, I can see why he came to the House of Commons. (Prolonged laughter and cheers)

There could be no prospects of recovery which could lead to new secure and better paid jobs unless they tackled the problems. It was in the interests of the Opposition to claim that the economy was heading downhill. (Loud Labour laughter) Labour MPs enjoyed it, loved it, sat and giggled at it.

The trough of the recession was passed in the second quarter of last year. In the three months to November, industrial output rose 15 per cent and manufacturing output by I per cent.

At last they had begun to gain on their competitors in terms of unit labour costs. These had risen 4 per cent in a year when those of their competitors increased by an average of 5 per cent. They rose 4 per cent in Japan, and 13 per cent in France. If that was not good news for any motor manufacturer other than Remault

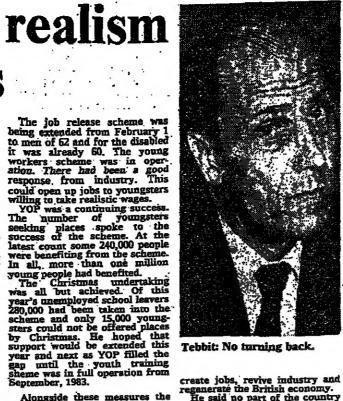
was not good news for any motor manufacturer other than Renault and the other French companies, he did not know what was. Nobody pretended there were instant solutions to the problems and it was only the Opposition that resolutely refused to give any weight or credence to the indicators and measurements of

indicators and measurements of what was going on in the economy. Short time working was falling, and overtime was up, and figures of unfilled vacancies were higher.

Who could seriously suggest that the problems of 30 years could be solved in 30 months? (Labour shout of "Saatchi and Saatchi")

In looking at what the Government could do to ease the shocks and pains of the inevi-table and long overdue adjust-ments in the economy it was particulally the plight of the young school leavers which caused him most concern. The hou's share of the £4,500m non's share of the 14,500m expenditure over three years on special employment and training mensures would go to them.

He had taken the opportunity to improve standards of industrial training in which Britain had fallen behind its overseas convertions.



Alongside these measures the

Contrary to what was implied by the economic illiteracy of labour's plans for expansion, unlimited spending out of limited resources

resources was a recipe for economic disaster, not recovery. There were no short cuts. Britain's industry and commerce must provide the goods and

must provide the goods and services the customer wanted at the price he could afford, or someone also would. Jobs would be created in Germany or Japan and lost in Britain.

The signs were that the economy was growing and that the returns on the efforts and hardship were coming through. To throw that away in a wave of self-indulgence, mistaking that for constructive help, would be economic madness and disaster for both the 12.7 per cent unemployed and the 87.3 per cent employed alike.

Any improvement in unam-

unemployed and the 87.3 per cent employed alike.

Any improvement in unemployment must lie behind the gains in productivity. There had been gains in competitiveness and an increased flow of jobs on to the register. To throw that away in the mistakan belief that the softer option was the better option would be folly.

Above all it would be a cruel and heartless deception of those who had been hardest hit.

There can be no turning back now (he said). Let us have the courage to take these policies through the rest of the way to success.

Mr Eric Varley, chief Oppo-

stion spokeman on employment (Chesterfield, Lab) moved an Opposition amendment which condemned the Government for pursuing economic policies which had brought about more than three million memployed and destroyed major sections of

axid destroyed major sections of British industry, and called for

radical action in line with Labour's plan for expansion to

regenerate the British economy.

He said no part of the country and no kind of worker was immune to this Government's destructive policies. Practically every family in the land now had some direct or indirect experience of unemployment. From Scotland to the southeast its tentacles stretched out, affecting areas that had never had it worse even than in the 1930s.

In previous recessions unem-In previous recessions unemployment went up in different parts of the country in a way that maintained the ratio between the regions. It was this Government's unique achievement that they were spreading unemployment more evenly than ever before across the face of the country.

Mrs Thatcher waffled on about the paramount importance of competitiveness, but it was her special achievement that the most competitive had suffered with the less competitive industries. In previous recessions uner

less competitive industries. Companies had fallen like ninepins. The Department of Trade itself had just confessed

alltime high.

Small firms, damaged as never before by this Government, were laying off workers, yet Mrs Thatcher in her new year message, had the nerve to say that more had to be done to help small businesses develop and grow because that was where new jobs came from.

When Labour left office there were five unemployed for every job vacancy and that was bad enough, Today the figure was 25.

Now the whole country was a depressed area. An even more devastating fact, which Mrs Thatcher concealed in the House yesterday, was that production in

yesterday, was that production in The Prime Minister tried to minimize the grim significance of these figures by telling MPs that some people were losing jobs and others were getting them all the time, like a conveyor belt.



The number of people out of work for more tham a year was more than double what it was 12months ago. They were not travelling merrily along this conveyor belt; they were imprisioned in a lift that was soaring was and out of control.

sioned in a lift that was soaring upwards out of control.

For every 100 young people unemployed when Labour left office, the number today was an appalling 404.

All the Secretary of State could offer these young people was that by the end of 1983 they would be eligible for his new training scheme with its princely recompence of £15 a week.

Unemployment benefit was un real value less than it was in 1971. It had fallen to its lowest level since that year. Very soon, like the thirties, it would be possible to distinguish the children of the long-term unemployed by theirphysical appearance from those whose fathers had managed to hang on to their long term unemplayed managed to hang on to their long term unemplayed by theirphysical appearance from those whose fathers had managed to hang on to their long. had managed to hang on to their

Instead of trying to improve the situation the Government was trying to talk its way out of it. No weekend was complete without another effusion of complacency from the Chief Secretary to the Treasury (Mr Leon Britten), the Dr Pangloss of this administration. But it was the Prime Minister who doles out

the Prime Minister who doles out
the most liberal doses of syrup.
Unemployment was costing
£13,000m a year. The nation was
spending more on financing
unemployment than it was
spending on the national health
service, on education and on the
rate support grant. That
£13,000m could be uses as a fund
to finance long term and secure
jobs. jobs.
The Prime Minister said she

cared about unemployment. If she did she must cast her dogma and obstinacy and prove it. But he feared this would be too much to ask of her and her colleagues. There was no plan, no hope in this Government.
What a shoddy deception itsfirst Queen's Speech in May

1979 had turned out to be with its pledge to create a climate in which commerce and industry could flourish and increase

employment.

I wonder (he asked) what St Francis would have thought about three million unemployed? It is richly ironic that in the month when registered unemployment has topped three million the Tory Party has provided a new contract for Saatchi and Saatchi. At least this size there will yet have to recruit

time they will not have to recruit the Hendon Young Conservatives to provide a phoney dole queue for them. (Labour laughter. The Government had failed on was time it went. It was time the Prime Minister went and sooner or later the country would get rid

of her.

Sir Russell Fairgrieve (West Aberdeenshire, C) said Britain had made many mistakes in the last 20 years. They began at about the time Britain missed going into Europe with her now main competitors. Twenty years ago Britain had about the highest standard of living in western Europe. Today, it was about the lowest.

The private sector of British industry had taken major steps to make itself more efficient and this could be seen right across the board. Regretably this did not apply to the public sector and the nationalized nonopolies had yet to find the discipline that took the place of competition.

He favoured a reduction in the case of male settiement, It seamed age of male retirement. It seemed only fair in the days of women's lib that both sexes should retire at the same age. If it could not be introduced immediately a start should be made on the gradual reduction of the retirement age

reduction of the retrement age for men.

There was no point any longer in making steel that no one bought or building ships that no one would sail. There could be expansion of the rourist industry. and the hotel trade and there was and the notes trade and the was a need to look at retraining people to fill vacancies in electronics and electrical engin-eering industries.

Mrs Shirley Williams (Crosby, SDP) said the Secretary of State has provided plenty of cheap cracks but few practical suggestions for coping with unemployment. That was what had come to be expected of him and it was sad for Parliament that that was the best that could be done when there were three million unem-

ployed.
What was needed was a public investment programme amounting to £5,000m to £6,000m gross a year. This should be concentrated on the labour intensive industries such as housing improvements and modernization, energy conservation and civil engineering works in the basic infrastructure. There was no confidence in the

There was no confidence in the Government's proposals for dealing with the young unemployed. It was a cobbled together scheme which was unlikely to succeed. There was a need for highly skilled people to take the positions that would arise when the economy recovered otherwise there would again be a shortage which would hamper industry. There had to be a youth programme that would says what

British coal mines safest in world

Pit accident

There was no indication of the cause of the explosion which injured 25 miners at the Cardowan Colliery, Glasgow, and all work had been suspended while an investigation proceeded, Mr David Waddington, Under Secretary of State for Employ-ment, said in a statement. Mr Alexander Eadie (Midlothian

Lab): This accident is a timely reminder of the hostile environ-ment in which miners every day have to toll in pits. Mr Waddington: He is right as

Mr Waddington: He is right as this is a timely reminder of the dangers of mining but our mining industry has a proud record. We have the bast safety record in the world. I am told accident statistics for 1981 will when published reveal fewer fatalities in the industry than ever before.

inspections were carried out at coal mines in 1980. It was difficult to say in the light of these figures that there was not

because of any expenditure

What happens if EEC fish policy is not agreed?

Scotland

The issues of access and quotas had not been resolved in the negotiations of the common fisheries Policy though there has fisheries Policy though there has been agreement in a number of areas. Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said during questions.

Agreement had been reached on a revised marketing regime, on important areas of the

on important areas of the external regime and on a furher interim scheme for the construc-tion and modernization of fishing boats. Agreement in principle had also been reached on a compehensive range of conservation measurers.
Mr David Myles (Banff, C): As Mr David Myles (Banit, U.) As well as fighting strongly for acceptable access and quota arrangements as I know he is doing, will he ensure that any conservation measures that require to be taken are taken after due consultation with the industry contact the consultation with the industry.

due consultation with the industry so that there is no undue damage done.

Will he make a categorical statement that if no total agreement can be reached this year, then there wil be no fishing rights up to the beaches at the end of 1982.

Mr Younger: In any conservation measures taken, we will do

Mr Younger: In any conservation measures taken, we will do
the best we can to consult the
industry beforehand and try to
take them along with us.

Our objective is to get an
acceptable common fisheries
policy but if by the end of this
year there is no such policy, the
Covernment will take a hard look
at the interests of British
fishermen.

Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and
Shetland, L): Would he go so far
as to set a time limit on these
negotiations and tell his colleagues that unless there is
agreement by a ertain date, we
are going ahead with measures to
conserve our own fishing industry?

Mr Younger: I appreciace the point. We are very near to agreement and it would be tragic if it were to be missed at this stage, We will certainly be pressing on to get an agreement pressing on to get an agreement as soon as we can.
Mr Donald Stewart (East Renfrewshire, C): Failing an agreement Community countries will have the same rights as our own vessels. Will the Government make it clear that failing an agreement by comparison within that acceptable agreement within that time, we shall be adhering to our right to a 200 mile limit?

right to a 200 mile limit?
Mr Younger: That is not part of the Treaty obligations. There are good reasons why other countries are anxious that a common fisheries policy should be agreed.
Mr John Mackay (Argyll, C): To gein the aim of conservation, the best way is to have a local fishing plan with licences allowing fishing boats to operate in these areas with preference for local ones.

Mr Younger: Into is a concept that the Commission has very much approved in the past and we have pressing strongly for such fishing plans where approprists, with particular reference to The Hague agreement which gave preference to local fishing. gave preference to local fishing communities dependent on fishing for their livelihood.

Mr Bruce Millan, chief Opposition spoken on Scotland (Glasgow, Craighton, Lab): Minimum conditions have been set by the Government, for an acceptable common fisheries policy, but do they still include an exclusive 12 miles limit? What about the 12 to miles limit? What about the 12 to 50 miles objective or has it abandoned that concept altogeth-

Mr Younger: The Government's objectives have not changed and it is proceeding in close consultation with the fishing industry at all stages. We have a broadly exclusive 12 mile zone taking account of the historic rights of some countries and further measures beyond that to protect coastal communities heavily dependent on fishing for their livelihoods.

Past policies have weakened industry

Seasonally adjusted unemployment in Scotland stood on January 12 at 307,900, or 13.5 per cent. Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said during questions. The Government's main priority was to reduce inflation which had been the main reason for the loss of markers and jobs. an adequate level of inspections. There were 95 mines ad quarries inspectors in posts with the Health and Safety Executive justed seasonal figure is 346,500 the whole of Scotland will be outraged by his abject dealing 1982. of markets and jobs.

Mr Robert Hughes (Aberdeen, North, Lab): Since the unadjusted seasonal figure is 346,500 the whole of Scotland will be with unemployment there. Will he stop acting like a quivering jellyfish, show more courage, stand up to the Prime Minister, tell her that enough is enough and demand action to arrest this mexorable slide to total disaster?

Mr Younger: The rate and levels extreme concern to everyone in Scotland. What I have to stand up against are the policies which over many years have weakened British industry, forcing it to lose markets and jobs, and that is what the Government is workin

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Mr Robert Maclennan (Caithness Mr Robert machenian (Cammess and Sutherland, SDP): While recognizing that in the case of the invergordon smelter he may not wish openly to indicate precisely the terms acceptable to the Government for an in-coming precisely the terms acceptable to the Government for an in-coming operator, has he empowered the Highlands Development Board in its approach to companies to be completely open-ended about the

the site and plant?

Mr Younger: I am not certain what he means by open-ended. The board, in conjunction with my department, has been encongaged to do all it can to find another operator and to discuss with such an operator a power contract on the best terms that can be got. The same applies to the acquisition of the site. The Government is pressing alread with the board as strongly as possible on these points.

Mr Michael Ancram (Edinburgh, South, C): There is hope for Scotland in the fact that the seasonally adjusted figures show a rate of increase in Scotland of only about half the rate of increase for the rest of the United Kingdom. Mr Younger: This particular

Mr Younger I has particular situation is in contrast to all the others during my lifetime. On this occasion Scotland has not suffered as severely as the rest of the United Kingdom. That indicates some recovery in the relative position of Scotland which we must work upon.

Liability for damage caused by animals

The question of liability for injury caused by animals was being considered by the Law Cimmission and it was hoped to publish a consultative memorandum in the spring of this year, Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Under Secretary of State for Scotland said.

means to compensate people who suffered damage from the uncontrolled actions of dogs.



Mr Henderson said there was concern among farmers at the amount of sheep worrying going on. In his constituency recently a farmer had the hearthreaking experience of having 15 ewes being brutally avaged by dogs, and while the owner of the dogs was taken to court and pros-ecuted, there was no compen-sation for the £2,000 worth of sation for the £2,000 worth of damage suffered.
Mr Albert McQuarrie (East Aberdeenshire, C): Will the minister give consideration to the privatisation of the control of dogs which has worked successfully in England and has created a considerable number of new small businesses? (Laughter).
Mr Rifkind: If the alternative to privatisation is to be taken into public ownership that would be attractive to the Government. I will look into the point.
Mr Rifkind also pointed out that the Civic Government (Scoiland) will look into the point.
Mr Rifkind also pointed out first the Civic Government (Scoiland) Bill, now before Parliament, provided a discretionary power for local authorities to assist the police in rounding up stray dogs. Sir Russell Pairgrieve (West Aberdeenshire, C): On the problems surrounding dogs (Laughter) particularly the number of puppies which have to be put sown after Christmas, would Mr Rifkind suggest to Government colleagues that the time is overdue for a draconian rise in the cost of the dog licence? It is the only one in the past few decades which has 200 gone up.

Mr Rifkind: These are matters for the Lord Advocate but I note what Sir Russell says.

Britain should become a full member of the European monetary system because it was important for Britain in the European Community so to do and important for the future development of the EEC. Lord Hagan (C) said when opening a short debate on the subject.

The EMS had, apart from a few hiccoighs, been successful, he The EMS had, apart from a rew hiccoighs, been successful, he said. Britain had participated in initial discussions but had not yet made the final leap into the exchange rate mechanism itself. Britain and other nations had suffered from wild and unpredicted fluctations in exchange rates, which had helped to destabilize the economic systems and had contributed significantly to the dangers of the world recession, paraticularly unemployment. ployment.
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we need to find a path out of this dark wood (he said) and the EMS is a guide-towards the light. Britain and other nations had suffered from wild and unpredicted fluctations in excange rates, shich had helped to de-stabilized the stabilized the economic systems and had contributed significantly to the dangers of the world ecession, paraticularly unemployment.
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The EMS had had some success in limiting violent exchange rate movements among

currencies. Britain was not only a political partner in the EEC, but a trading paratner. By being fully part of the EMS that position was not omnly safe-guarded but considerably

These policies were nothing better than the dangerous national chauvinism which had brought the world to its present

state.

Lord Banks (L) said aithough there might be a small devaluation on joining the EMS that might not necessarily be a bad thing. Had we been part of the system, manufacturing industry might have escaped the loss of effectiveness on the scale which had taken place.

might have escaped the loss of effectiveness on the scale which had taken place.

There would be considerable political advantages for Britain and it would be particularly beeficial with the delicate negotiations taking place on Britain's contribution to the budget.

Lord Soames(C) said it should be looked at not in parochial community terms but in the widest international terms. By joining Britain would not just hope to enrich themselves but would be providing a European base from which they would have greater influence in the world.

Looking back at the past two years of the system's operation, it was clear that within the Community the parity of the European currencies using the Deutschmark as the pivot had moved within single figures. Compared with the dollar, there has been a 36 per cent change and against the yen, the change had been 40 per cent.

What do we think we are doing

What do we think we are doing allowing the parity to move around like this? It just makes a mockery (he said) of forward planning for any industrialist or trader. We are getting enormous profits and losses created quite by luck depending on how the

currency happens to move. It has encouraged a lot of unemploy-There would be problems. The fat that the United Kingdom was a petro-currency would not make things and any bout they had tongs any easier, but mey had
got through two massive oil price
rises and they were unlikely to
be repeated. Sterling was also
uncomfortably high against the
deutschmark but that was not a

> EMS.
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> The sort of movements of parity he had described were disliked by everyone and no country wanted to do other than at least dampen this down. There could be agreement between the could be agreements between the

sufficient deterrent to well in the balance against joining the



cones of European currencies the dollar and the yen to achieve this. It had to be done by zones and if they were part of the

European zone they could play Out part.
Although sterling did not play the part it had done 20 years ago, there was in this country, and in the City of London and in the Treasury in particular, fund of knowledge of international knowledge of international money markets that would be of enormous value to the EMS.

The greatest contribution this

parity between currencies and the way to do that was to enter the EMS. Lord Roberthall (Ind) said that he had at one time been against joining the system but his fears had proved groundless and he was now a firm supporter. For political reasons, it would symbolize Britain's part in the movement towards European unity. It would also help negotiations with the EEC.

the EEC.

Lord Hankey (Ind) said it was important that the Government should at long last make Britain a full members of the EMS. British industry and commerce needed a much more stable exchange rate. It was bad for exports when the exchange rate went unreasonably high. It gave an undue encouragement to imports and excessive of capital.

Lord Bruce of Donington, for the Opposition, said he was hesitan about Britain joining the EMS because he was afraid that under because he was arraid that under the present Government Britain would join under terms that would seek to perpetuate the disastrous policies now being carried out.

The quicker we start (he said)

abandoning these wretched, miserable, deflationary policies that have scourged the country and have produced this large-scale unemployment, the better it will be for everyone and it will make it even more possible for us
to participate profitably and
cooperatively in an organization
such as the EMS.
Lord Cockfield, Minister of State,
Treasury, said the Government
fully supported the aims of runy supported the atms or promoting an area of greater currency stability within the Community and the contribution that the EMS and the exchange rate mechanism could make

towards closer economic conver-gance and itegration in Europe. Nevertheless it was decided when the EMS was launched that Britain should not join the exchange rate mechanism. That There was a difficult balance between advantages anddisadvan-tages in considering sterling's possible relationship to the exchange rate mechanism. It was

possible relationship to the exchange rate mechanism. It was quite wrong to regard membership of the MEMS, including rate mechanism, as freeing Britain from the need to conduct its affairs responsibly and to accept necessary disciplines in fiscal and monetary policy.

The Government had made it clear since 1979 its immediate priority was to get inflation under control and tackle Britain's deep-seated economic problemd. Yhe Government would need to be as confident as it could be that starling's participationwould norresult: in early or frequent-difficulties.

There were two special factors relating to sterling which differentiating to sterling which differentiating to sterling which differentiating to sterling which the other EMS currencies. First, it retained its role as a major currency in integrational roles.

its role as a major currency in international trade and finance. The second reason related to the pound's role as a petro-currency. The pound's special characteristics did upt automatically rule out sterling's participation in the exchange rete mechanism. exchange rate mechanism.

Greater exchange rate stability could not be imposed simply by government decision or by joining an arrangement such as the EMS exchange rate mechanism. It was only possible to achieve stability if the underlying causes of instability were tackleexchange rate mechanism. It was all tooeasy for people standing on the sidelines, or fo

standing on the sidelines, or tor parties out of office, to talk only of the advantages of joining the EMS exchange rate mechanism and ignore the disadvantages.

There was no question of them being prevented from carrying out that recruitment programme

EEC talks disappoint but budget solution has to be found

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Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, said it was premature to say the EEC was going to break up. He reported in the House of Lords on the talks among foreign ministers of the 10 member states aimed at restructuring the Community's In a statement he said that the

main issue preventing agreement vas the view of a number of other member states that the efunds to the United Kingdom hould be arbitrarily and auto-natically reduced over time, regardless of the scale of the He went on: We have made it clear that we could not accept this. In the longer term, we hope that the development of Comm-

that the development of Community policies including the reform of the common agricultural policy, will lead to a reduction in the size of our budget problem and we fully accept that, as this happens, our refunds should be reduced. What we cannot accept is a

what we cannot accept is a reduction totally unrelated to the underlying cause of our budgetary imbalance.

This was not the only difficulty. In addition, one or more of our partners had reserveen other accepts of the martans under spects of the matters under discussion. For example, there was disagreement whether the duration of our budget refunds

a review.

There are also problems on agriculture where the formula proposed for controlling the milk surplus was very weak, and a number of countries, but not the UK, have reservations about the proposal that agricultural spending should grow less rapidly than our own resources.

ing should grow less rapidly than our own resources.

It is disappointing that after so many rounds of negotiations we have still not been able to reach agreement on the four key issues identified by the European Council, and therefore on the guidelines which were discussed there. there. But these are complex ques-

tions in which major national interests are involved and we never thought it would be easy to find resolutions tha would enable each country to feel that it had a reasonable deal. reasonable deal.

I welcome the intentions of the President of the Council and the President of the Commission to try to find solutions to these problems. We hope they will be able to do so quickly.

The Council also considered the problem which had arisen over the adoption of the 1982 budget. In the view of the member states, the European Parliament had not acted correctly over classification of expenditure and the maximum rate of increase. rate of increase.
No final decisions were taken (he said) but it appears to be the view of most member states that.

as well as opening a dialogue with the European Parliament with a view to resolving the problem by mutual agreement, they should as a precautionary measure take legal action to ensure that the problem is resolved. Lord Bruce of Donington, for the

Lord Bruce of Donington, for the Opposition, said they supported the considerable efforts the Secretary of State had made in the Council in order to obtain a more equitable contribution by the UK to the EEC budget. This has been a running sore for many years. many years.
Is it now the position that not only has he refused Community proposals put forward with regard to the budget but also declined to agree to any increases

in farm prices unntil a satisfac-tory agreement has been arrived Is it wise, even as a precaution ary measure, to take the European Parliament before the European Court? Would it not be far better to see whether agreement can be arrived at agreement can be arrived at between the Council and the Parliament, because many of us feel that in the progress that has been made in Europe over the last six years, the Parliament has shown a far greater trend towards progress then the Council?

Lord Gladwyn, for the Liberals: We regard the outcome of the Council of Ministers' meeting, with a few exceptions, as pretty

Even though the sums of money are small, it is an important matter of principle.

time. So I cannot mself see how regional policies or agricultural policy, on which prices depend, going forward independently.

As to Lord Gladwyn's question about whether the Community was going to break up, there have been many of these setbacks before. It would be premature to say that the Community is going to break up. When we all get down to it we usually find a soulution. The difficulty with the Community is that which most people

Loro Carrington, answering a later question on the CAP, said: The fear we have is that the guidelines which have not been agreed but are agreed except generally for us, are very weak, it will not mean less money will be seen on agriculture and more be spent on agriculture and more on money on other things. If that is so, it means the underlying British people will not be solved.

In the British people were pretty fed up with the farcial trips being made to Brussels to sove problems but which never solved them satisfactorily. Mr Eric we have a solution".

We would like to know what precisely that means. I trust that this is a stance that the Government intends to take because we have all too often had tough statements from the

decide at the 59th minute of the 11th hour, the Community is in the habit of deciding at three o'clock the next morning. This which, in the long run, have not makes it a lengthy and tedious business.

Lord Carrington, answering a on to their shoulders.



trips to Brussels

The Foreign Secretary has not been as forthright in the House of Lords as he was in TheTimes. What precisely does the Government mean by this statement? Is it going to make a stand? Is it going to make a stand? Is it going to make certain on agricultural prices, which could mean 10.5 per cent on prices for the British people, that there is no agreement on this or other the British people, that there is no agreement on this or other matters until there is a solution to the problems? We have staggered from one crisis to another for a long time.

Mr Atkins: The position is simple, The mandate agreed by

the heads of Gevernment on May 30 linked three areas together where progress had to be made— non-agricultural expenditure, agricultural policies and the

agricultural policies and the budget. All countries agreed that these three have to go forward together.

There has been no departure from that. Until we have got solutions for all three we cannot move on any of them. This is what we are seeking to do.

In 1980 when we had discussions with the Community cussions with the Community about our contribution, the arrangement we were eventually able to make resulted in a return to this country far better than anything the Labour Government ever negotiated. We are at the same point now. I have no doubt that we shall achieve what we

Sir Anthony Meyer (West Flint, C): There will be general support for the Government's stand that for the Government's stand that
the budgetary refund must
receive not an arbitrary but an
organic solution connected with
the progress of the Community.
The Government's ability to
impose or get accepted such an
approach would be greatly
strengthened if every Government department were to adopt
the Foreign Office's energetic
attitude of seeking to promote
common policies within the
Community. Community. Mr Atkins: The Government is

our refunds go down, where happens to the rest of the Community's budgetary arrange-ments, will not necessarily prevent unacceptable situations

prevent unacceptable situations arising.

We believe that Community policies will change, and by spending more on the regional and social funds than before this may help to alleviate our problems. Until we know that, we cannot agree to what, in Community terms, is called "degressivity."

Mr James Spicer (West Dorset, C): What will the ACP sugar agreement mean for our UK sugar refining industry? sugar refining industry?
Mr Atkins: The suspension of the surcharge levy will make a considerable difference to the main sugar refinery in this country. It is mostly done by one firm employing 3,000 people. That will help to preserve their jobs.

Mrs Shirley Williams (Crosby, SDP): Does he see any possibility that the entry of Mediterranean producers into the EEC will give a chance to change the basis of the CAP in such a way as to make it more likely that we can control the ultimate budget?

Mr Atkins: Yes, the arrival of the Mediterranean producers inevitably means a change in the way the CAP works, and naturally this has been under discussion as seeking to improve the way the well. They have different prob-Community works. A system lems from more remperate whereby automatically every year

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Is no proposals for limiting our contribution acceptable for total agreement? On the reform of the CAP, what happens if in the long run our partners do not agree? Does the Community break up? Lord Carrington: No final decision has been taken about taking the Parliament to the European Court. The general feeling in the Council yesterday was that it might be a wise thing to do because although it is the intention of the Council to talk to Parliament and try to get Parliament and try to get agreement which is satisfactory to both, there is a rather important issue of principle here.

matter of principle.

At the beginning of this exercise, the 10 members of the Community linked three chapters — regional and other Community policies, agricultural policy and the budget — and it was agreed by all of us that progress on all three had to proceed at the same time. So I cannot meel see how regional policies or agricultural

Heffer, Opposition spokesman on European Community affairs said when Mr Humphrey Atkins, Lord Privy Seal repeated Lord Carring-ton's statement in the Commons. Mr Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Mr Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said the statement was by no means as forthright as that made by the Foreign Secretary, reported in TheTimes on January 25, when he was reported as saying on the Community's agricultural prices: "I do not see anything that can be done until we have a solvicion"

By Lucy Hodges

'left unpunished'

Police guilty of

misconduct

Complaints ecutions decided not to bring eroeting the criminal proceeding against The Police Complaints ecutions decided not to bring Board is misinterpeting the criminal proceeding against law so that police officers the officers on the ground of who are guilty of misconduct insufficient evidence.

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Sir Cyril Philips, clothed of the Police Confidence of the Police Confid Sir Cyril Philips, chairman of the Police Complaints Board, told the NCCL in a

Mr Michael Beloff, QC, Home Secretary's guidance who was appearing before on police complaints the the Home Affairs Select board was precluded from Committee as legal adviser to the National Council for Civil charges on the same eviluhe law did not lay down that officers against whom criminates. officers agasinst whom criminal charges had been dropped should not then face disciplinary proceedings.

That was how the Police Complaints Board interpreted the law, with the result that policemen against whom the law, with the result that policemen against whom serious charges were brought initially, faced no punishment whatsoever, the NCCL told the committee. That is known as the "double jeopardy" rule.

was in custody."

The documents in this case were the NCCL's evidence to the committee. Mr Beloff added that the Home Secretary's guidance, on which the complaints board based its interpretation of the double jeopardy rule, was either being misinterpreted by the board or was itself unlawful and ultra vires.

Miss Particia Hewitz and A recent case in which that A recent case in which that happened concerned Mr Errol Madden, a young black, who was charged with the theft of two model cars which he had bought and for which he had receipts. The charges were dismissed and a complaint was locged against two police officers. unlawful and ultra vires.

Miss Patricia Hewitt, general secretary of the NCCL, told the committee that although the two officers in the Madden case had escaped punishment, the station sergeant, who was much less involved, had been disciplined. That was because the latter had not faced criminal charges at any stage.

Mr Madden's case was that he had been intimidated into signing a false confession. The Director of Public Pros-

TV to show innocent man being manhandled

From Our Correspondent Nottingham

Scenes of a man being two detectives will be seen by thousands of Midlands viewers when the new Central Independent Television channel begins a series on the Nottinghamshire police force

In a preview of the first In a preview of the first episode a Nortingham man suspected of stealing a set of golf clubs was seen talking to two police officers on his doorstep. Seconds later he is grabbed and manhandled down the garden path in full view of hysterical members of his family. Later the man is cleared. Sir Cyril added: "The police investigation has nevertheless revealed that Mr Madden was subjected to some distinctly unprofessional behaviour on the

is cleared.
Mr Charles McLachlan.
Nottinghamshire's Chief Constable, has already watched the six-part series and has agreed to it being screened without cuts.

The first episode is called "The Detective's Life" and follows the work of two CID men based at Bulwell station, Nottingham. One of the officers, Det Constable David Waite, disclosed that police carry firearms much more often than the public realize. carry firearms much more often than the public realize.

At one stage he said: "I am very suspicious of anyone. I will never accept a person is innocent until I have actually got to know them. The police force does harden you against people".

A Nottinghamshire police spokesman said yesterday: "We cannot comment until after the programme has been screened"



Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, presenting a trophy to the winners of BBC Radio 4's "Top of the Form" yesterday. They are (back row, from left) Kenneth Brown, Murray Pratt, (front) Kirsteen Browning and Marie Walker, from the Girvan Acadamy, Ayrshire.

Youth killed himself after girl's death

From Our Correspondent, Liverpool

he was going home.

Four days later,

A young student killed himself after reading a newspaper report of the death of a former girl friend, an inquest at Liverpool was told yesterday. Mr Stephen Murphy, aged 20, who was found dead in bed at his flat, had taken a lethal mixture of drugs and alcohol.

block two years after a gangfriend called at Mr Murphy's flat but could not get an answer. The police were called and the body was discovered.

Cotober Mr Murphy, of Marmian Street, Liverpool, Recording a verdict that he killed himself, Mr Roy Barleton, that he had gone out ter, the coroner, said it with Miss Lynch He had rold would be recorded.

Police officers who found his body said a newspaper containing a report of an inquest into the death of Miss Catherine Lynch, aged 21, who fell from a tower

The inquest was told that after that inquest opened last October Mr Murphy, of Marmian Street, Liverpool, had told a friend, Mr Colin Sefton, that he had gone out with Miss Lynch. He had told his hrother-in-law Mr Frade. Recording a verdict that he killed himself, Mr Roy Barter, the coroner, said it would be wrong to attribute the action to any single event. A note found in the deceased's bedroom said he had killed himself "for the simple reason that he regard. his brother-in-law, Mr Frede-rick Mallet, the same thing, throwing a copy of the newspaper at him and saying simple reason that he regard-

Press reports could not influence jury

From Our Correspondent, Edinburgh

Scottish newspapers and their editors.

The Scotsman and the Glasgow Herald had been held by Lord Ross in the High Court to be in contempt of court after reporting that a Crown witness and his wife were taken by police to a secret address after giving evidence at the Glasgow High Court trial of 11 men accused of conspiring to further the aims of the Uister Volunteer Force by illegal means.

Yesterday Lord Emslie, the Lord Justice General, sitting with Lord Stott and Lord Dunpark, said they had no hesitation in deciding that the passages in the two newspapers did not constitute contempt tute contempt.
Lord Ross had felt there

was a risk that jurors might be influenced in their consideration of the two witness-es' credibility. Lord Emslie said that in

the light of the nature of the charges, it was not surprising that police made massive security arrangements for all concerned. That was a matter of public knowledge.

The essence of contempt

was the allegation that what was published contained insinuations or suggestions capable of prejudicing the

The Scottish Court of minds of reson-ably intelli-Appeal in Edinburgh yester-day gave their reason for ment of the credibility of the quashing convictions of con-tempt of court against two

The newspapers' reports

The newspapers' reports must be read in the context of the trial and the extraordinary security precautions which were quite obviously

being taken. They must also be read in the light of the circum-stances that the witness, Mr Andrew Gibson, had in his evidence presented himself as a self-confessed associate in

Neither report carried any implication as to the atti-tudes, fears or beliefs of the Gibsons or that they were under threat from any quar-

Lord Emslie added: "In Lord Emslie added: "In our opinion, if any resonable juror had read the passages his reaction would simply have been 'I am not in the least surprised', and he would have found the simple narration of fact quite neutral in the matter of the credibility of the witnesses."

There was always a possi-bility that someone might misconstrue what he read or indulge in his own specu-lation. But that possibility afforded no justification for holding that the publication

was in contempt.

Lord Emslie added that it was the court's paramount duty to ensure that persons minds of jurors.

In this case the court had no hesitation in deciding that the passages in the two newspapers did not contain suggestions capable of prejusing states. insinuations or suggestions dicing the minds of jurors capable of pre-judicing the could not be tolerated.

New group formed to back NHS

By Annabel Ferriman Health Services Correspondent

An organization to defend the National Health Service and oppose the expansion of private medicine is being launched next month by a group of academics, health service workers, trade unionists and community health council workers.

The group, to be called NHS Unlimited, came together last year when a plan to build a private hospital on a site owned by University College Hospital, London, was mooted. Its chairman, Mr Frank Dobson, Labour was mooted. Its than heart Mr Frank Dobson, Labour MP for Camdem, Holborn St Pancras, South, led fight against proposed

hospital.

The aim of the group is to health service, highlight its advantages and expose the shortcomings of private medical care. It has conducted a survey on the state of development in the private sector by circularizing all community health councils, the official health service watchdogs, asking for infor-

mation.

Activists in the organization include Dr Paul Noone, chairman of the National Health Service Consultants Association, Mr Peter Draper, director of the Unit for the Study of Health Policy at Guy's Hospital, London, and Mrs Marcia Saunders, chairman of the Islington Community Health Council.

man of the Islington Community Health Council.

They feel there is little control over the establishment of new small private hospitals. If the new hospital contains fewer than 120 beds the Department of Health and Social Security has to be notified about it, but no authorization is necessary. Mr Dobson said yesterday: "At the moment Dr Crippen or Sweeney Todd could apply to build a private hospital and get it. Nobody would investigate them."

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The Conservative Medical
Society has attacked the
group for using community
health councils, which are
publicly funded, to provide
information for what they
see as a politically motivated
group. Mrs Saunders denied
the charge yesterday. "CHCs
are concerned about the total
health service provision and
what happens in the private
sector influences what happens in the public sector."

She said the establishment
of many new hospitals at-

Computer aid for disabled

part of the police while he was in custody."

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

disabled person to create animated cartoons, design a house, or simply type a letter to a friend, has been devel-oped at the National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, North London. The equipment,

The equipment, which opens wide opportunities for handicapped people, takes almost no account of the degree of physical disability and is the latest exploitation of the ubiquitous microcom-

Preparation of an architec-tural blueprint, or the composition of a personal letter, are only two of hundreds of activities made possible by the invention by a group of biomedical engineers and the institute.

The apparatus has a clini-cal purpose for doctors measuring progress in treating disabilities, in addition to its use in hospital, day

Centres or at home.

There are three elements to the system: the method of controlling equipment to replace the traditional key-board; a commercially available microputer which can use any of the programmes written for a virtually limitless number of applications; and a television set, printer or other machine for record-ing information.

In developing the equipment Mr Jack Perkins, an electronics specialist, and Miss Janet Baker, a computer programmer, have used programmer, have used either a simple, large, robust on-off button to control the device or a joystick. However, the choice of a control unit will differ because a severely handicapped person may, for example, be able only to move his head to operate the equipment. The whole apparatus costs about

In a demonstration at Mill Hill Miss Baker showed how a doctor can measure the response to treatment of certain conditions by assessing tremor. The method is simple. The patient tries to keep a small object on a television screen, using the joystick, inside a circle. With the typing programme, the top third of the screen carries the alphabet which is being continuously

pens in the public sector." She said the establishment of many new hospitals attracted staff away from the NHS. Bournes' final fling

Today is the opening of the sale of the century at Bournes of Oxford Street. The sale will continue until the final item is cleared from the shelves and the store, a central London landmark since 1902, closes.

The closure, the third by leading London department stores since last September, is the latest in the melacholy litany of retailing institutions that have had their day and

gone, leaving large freeholds behind like dinosaurs' bones.

Those bones, in particular, are likely to have a brighter future with the approval by the last Greater London Council last year of outline plans to turn the "island" plans to turn the "island" site into shops, offices and

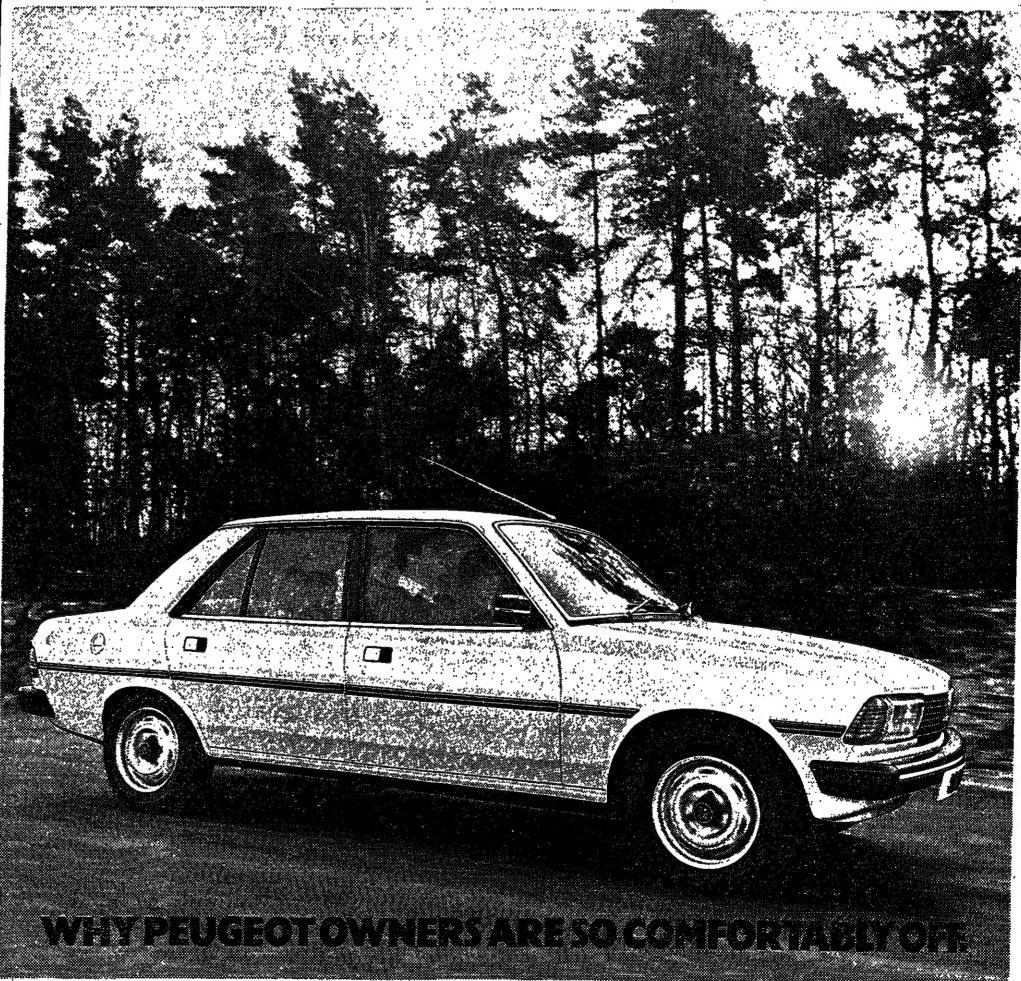
Mr Lawrence Kaffel, managing director of Bourne's, refused yesterday to give details of the progress of those plans except to confirm that talks were continuing. his staff had made a good attempt to try to revive a

All concerned were keep ing their chins up, he added Raybeck, owners of the store since 1978, are to set up a jobs advisory centre for the staff of more than 300 who will be made redundant.

Bourne's, originally Bour-ne and Hollingsworth, was one of those gracious insti-tutions, old-fashioned virtually from its inception, known for its infinitely patient service and its policy of paternalism benevolent . towards its employees, for whom cheap and good accom-

modation was among the perks until the Rent Act complications intervened.

The store follows Whiteley's of Bayswater and, most recently. Swan and Edgar, in Piccadilly Circus, into that limbo which some anonylimbo which some anonymous wit, paraphrasing Shakespeare more presciently than he knew, has christened "the bourne from which no Hollingsworth returns".



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180 die in two train accidents

At least 110 people were killed and 150 others injured yesterday when a train was derailed on the Buhaulan pass, 65 miles west of Algiers. And 70 people died when a passenger express crashed into a goods train in thick fog on the outskirts of Agra in northern India.

About 450 passengers were on the train travelling from Algiers to Oran when the accident occurred.

President Chadli sent his condolences to the families of the crash victims and dispatched a high-ranking delegation, including the Prime Minister and the Ministers of the Interior, Health and Transportation to

In Agra, 20 people were seriously injured in the headon collision and five of them are critical. The driver of the Delhi-bound express and his assistant were among those killed.

Church will not marry cripple

New York.—When Larry Bonvallet, paralysed by a fall, fell in love with a nurse while he was recuperating and they decided to marry, he was astounded to be told that the priest at his fiancee's church refused to perform the ceremony.

He appealed to the marriage tribunal of the Roman Catholic diocese of Joliet, Illinois, but has been told that if he is impotent a

priest may not officiate.

The Rev James Nowak,
Deputy Chief Justice of the
tribunal, said: "We have a
cetain understanding of what
marriage involves. If someone is not capable of that
kind of relationship, he's not
capable of marriage. All we capable of marriage. All we are doing is expressing the law of nature."

Surgery before birth

Brussels. — Surgeons claiming a world first have operated on a baby boy two weeks before his birth at the Bavaria hospital in Liege. Using ultrasonic material,

they slid a drain into a cyst in the baby's kidney through the mother's abdominal wall. The embryo sac and the baby's skin, which allowed the urine to flow freely into the amniotic fluid and thus dry the growth. The baby was reported to be in excellent health.

Thunderbolt plot foiled



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Predident Didier Ratsiraks of Madagascar, who has accuse Roman Catholic priest of plotting with local sorcerers to make a thunderbold fall on the presidential palace in Antananarivo and kill him.

He said a senior military officer, two priest and several others had been arrested in connexion with the conspiracy. Mercenaries from South Africa were also linked with the plot. "Several of the mercenaries who recently operated in the Seychelles had often been to Madagasplanning operations here" he said. car. They were certainly

Beverly Hills slavery raids

Los Angeles — Police here raided homes in Beverly Hills to crack what they alleged was a slave ring in which Indonesians were smuggled into the United States and sold as servants. Twelve people are to appear before a Federal Grand Jury.

Mr Edgar Best an FBI

Special Agent, said an 11investigation had and five women had each been sold for up to \$3,000 (about £1,600).

Coalition resigns in Finland

Helsinki.- The Finnish Government resigned immedi ately after Dr Mauno Koivisto's inauguration as Finland's first Socialist president. The resignation of the coalition of Social Democrats, Centre Party, Communists and Swedish People's Party, automatically follows the change of presidency. Negotiations for a new coalition will begin in earnest

Spy found guilty

Los Angeles.-Christopher Boyce, a convicted spy serving a 40-year jail term, has been found guilty of escaping from prison and could face an extra five years in jail. He sold satellite technology to State of the Union message

Republicans hail Reagan's bold approach

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, Jan 27

President Reagan, aware of Orrin Hatch (Republican, the long and difficult legislative battle that lies ahead, more we get these matters the better today began trying to gather support among Congressmen and State Governors for his radical proposal to reverse the centralisation of power in

The plan, which was the focal point of the President's

focal point of the President's
State of the Union address
last night, calls for a massive
realignment of government
responsibilities between
Washington ands the states.
Reactions to the plan have
been mixed, and have cut
across party lines. Some
Democrats have given
cautious approval to the
President's ideas for what
has been termed the "New
Federalism", while some
Republicans believe that the
devolution of federal powers
to the states is both unwanted and unworkable.

Reactions to the rest of the President's speech, particu-larly his refusal to raise taxes as a means of reducing the budget deficit, were predictably partisan. Democrats accused him of failing to take steps to tackle the immediate problem of unemployment, and of punishing the poor at the expense of the rich by proposing to make further cuts in social programmes.

Republicans, on the other and, welcomed the President's determination to push ahead with his four-point economic recovery programme. However, some openly wondered how this would effect their prospects in the November elections in the November elections, particularly if there is no improvement either in unemployment or in controlling the budget deficit.

For Republicans, the State of the Union message showed Presideent Reagan at his best. He managed to sound optimistic despite the state of the economy, his delivery was almost perfect, and his rhetorical flashes produced frequent applause.

The speech, however, confirmed many of the worst fears of Democratic Congressmen. The President appeared insensitive to the concerns of ordinary Ameri-cans, and determined to force his programme on the nation whatever its eventual

The President's proposal to turn over more than 40 federal programmes over to the states is designed to realize a dream that Mr Reagan had since the beginning of his political life. For years he has campaigned IS CATOR against big government, and what he is now proposing would make the Federal

Government a good deal The President called for the relationship between Washington and the states to be changed with "a single, bold strike". His plan has two main parts.
The first is a \$19,000m

swap, on which the Federal Government would take over the states' share of Medicaid payments for the poor, while the states would take on the Federal share of the Food Stamp Programme, and aid to families with dependent children, two cornerstones of the United States welfare system.

The second is to hand more than 40 federally-funded transport, educational and community development programmes back to the states. The Federal Government would help the states to the final whose programmes fund these programmes through a \$28,000m trust fund, to be financed by existing federal excise taxes. The President's "New rederalism" programme was hailed by Senator Mark. Hatfield (Republican, Oregon), a former State Governor, as "brilliant and fantastically creative". Senator

President to persist with tax and federal cuts

President Reagan, ending-months of speculation, said clearly in his State of the Union message that, despite mounting unemployment, he intended to stick dto his basic programme of big tax

cuts and more reductions in federal spending.

There will be no "mid-course correction", as had been urged by Republicans and Democrats alike. There will be no big tax increases; no new initiatives to contain a soaring federal deficit projected at just under \$100,000m (about £50,000m)

this fiscal year.
Instead, Mr Reagan chose
to follow his political instincts and ignore the clamour in Congress by going directly to the people with a programme of "new federal-

It was vintage Ronald Reagan: slowing the growth the little man has been his growth, early. days when he was too soon to say,

Governor of california. when he told Congress of his which Mr Reagan may refine proposal to transfer \$47,000m after holding extensive con-

more we get these matters back to the states, the better off we are going to be."

However, Senator Robert
Dole (Republican, Kansas),
the chairman of the Senate
Finance Committee, was

more cautious. As a sponsor of the Food Programme, which the President is now proposing to hand over to the states, he remarked: "I am not so certain a programme that vast could be administered in 50 different ways. We're having enough trouble administering it one way." Congressmen appeared to

agree about two main aspects of the President's plan. First, it will be an immense and complicated task to get it through Congress. At pre-sent, the Administration has still not worked out whether. still not worked out whether the programme transfers will be submitted piecemeal or as one package. Either way, the chances of having the plan approved during this legislative session, which will be abbrieviated by the forth-coming elections, will be slimingleed. Second, the "New Federal-

ism" plan does not address the country's immediate economic problems. It is only due to start operating in 1984, and will not be complete until 1991.

The President conceded in his speech that forthcoming budget deficits would be higher than originally antici-pated, but blamed this on the recession and the policies followed by previous admin-istrations. Admitting that the economy would continue to face difficult moments in the months ahead, he nevertheless rejected any "quick fix" course-correction in the face of huge budgetary deficits over the next three years.

The President intends to tackle the budget problem by making additional cuts in spending programmes, and by closing a number of loopholes in the tax code. He said that this year's deficit would be "less than \$100,000", and predicted that there would be a reduction in the deficits over the next two years. However, his election rampaign pledge of a balanced budget by 1984 was studiously ignored.

President Reagan's refusal to heed the advice of many of his certific afficials and Re-

his senior officials and Re-publican Party leaders, who had advocated an increase in cans alike. Senator William Armstrons

(Republican, Colorado) said it appeared that the Administration was now prepared to accept a deficit of between \$276,000m \$500,000m over the next three years. Neither Wall Street nor the man in the street was going to accept that scale of deficit, he said. Mr Donald Reagan, the Treasury Secretary, said today that the defict should go down to \$80,000m or even

less by 1984. Whatever sense of unease Republicans may have felt about some aspects of the President's speech, they nevertheless seemed pleased with its over all tone. Here was a President who was determined to stick to his guns, who would not allow events to divert him from his original programme, as had happened to many of his

predecessors.
The President made the right noises about civil rights and women's rights, he was tough on crime, and he announced one important intiative — the creation of "enterprise zones" in de-pressed urban areas — designed to revive poor neighbourhoods and do something about unemployment.

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From Bailey Morris, Washington, Jan 27

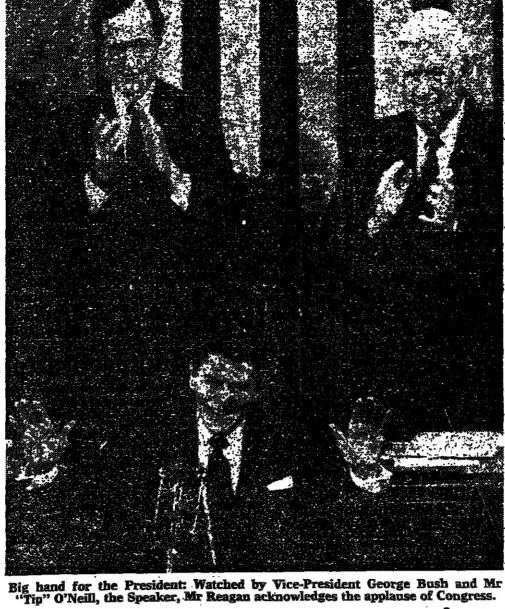
That Mr Reagan all but ignored the spiraling federal deicit was noted by Repuliings after the speech. "I had hoped the President would address the state of

the union in 1982, when we have record unemployment among auto workers and interest rates are too high," the House budget communittee, said.

Even Mr Robert Michel, the House Minority leader. who is regarded as a loyal party soldier, expressed party soldier, expressed doubts about the deficit and his abilty to contain disafected Republicans this year, when elections are due.

The big question now is whether Mr Reagan's strategy of focusing on a new partnership with the states will succeed in diverting of federal spending and attention from the economic getting the bureaucrasy in realities of mounting deficits, Washington off the back of unemployment and slow unemployment and slow Without specifics pollitical theme since the from the White House, it is

overnor of california. At this stage, the new He reiterated it last night federalism is still a concept in federal programmes to sultations with state and local states and councils.



Tip" O'Neill, the Speaker, Mr Reagan acknowledges the applause of Congress.

'We are making progress'

following is a partial text of high.

President Reagan's State of More important, we

as our republic itself. When I visited this chamber when I visited this chamber to Washington, critical of past policies which I believe had failed, I proposed a new spirit of parmership between this Congress and this Administration and between Washington and our state.

Washington and our state

and local governments. It is my duty to report to you tonight on the progress we have made in our relations with other nations, on the foundation we have carefully laid for our economic recovery and finally, on a bold and spirited initiative that I believe can change the face of American

people. To understand the state of the union, we must look not only at where we are and where we've been. The situ. and we will continue our where we've been. The situ. and we will continue our where we've been. The situ. efforts to reduce the number was truly ominous.

The last decade has seen a series of recessions. Government's response to these to you on February 8 will recessions was to pump up realize major savings by the money supply and in-dismantling the Departments the money supply and in-

This time, however, things are different. We have an economic programme place completely different from the artificial quick-fixes of the past. It calls for reduction of the rate of increase in government spending, and already that rate has been cut nearly in half. But reduced spending alone isn't enough. We've just implemented the first and smallest phase of a threeyear tax-rate reduction plan designed to stimulate economy and create jobs.

Already interest rates are down to 15% per cent, but they must still go lower. Inflation is down from 12.4 per cent to 8.9 per cent, and for the month of December it. was running at an annualized rate of 5.2 per cent.

Economic problems deeply rooted

The economy will face difficult moments in the months ahead. But the programme for economic recovery that is in place will pull the economy out of its slump and put us on the road to prosperity and stable growth by the latter half of this year. And so the question: If the fundamentals are in place, what now?

Two things. First, we must understand what is happening at the moment to the economy. Our current problems are not the product of the recovery programme that is only just now getting under way, as some would have you believe. They are the inheritance of decades of tax and tax, spend and spend. Second, because our economic problems are deeply rooted and will not respond to quick political fixes, we must stick to our carefully integrated plan for recovery. That plan is based on four commonsense fundamentals: continued reduction of the growth in federal spending. preserving the individual and business tax reductions that will stimulate saving and investment, removing un-necessary federal regulations to spark productivity, and maintaining a healthy dollar and a stable monetary policy the latter a responsibility of the federal reserve system As it now stands, our forecasts, which we are

required by law to make, will

show major deficits, starting at less than 100 billion dollars

Washington, Jan 27. — The and declining, but still too of discord, now a source of pride — must continue with resident Reagan's State of More important, we are no backsliding or slowing

the Union address:
Today marks my first State
of the Union address to you,
a constitutional duty as old
as our republic itself.

Into important, we
take the important of the three keys to reducing deficits: economic growth, lower
interest rates, and spending
control. The policies we have in place will reduce the deficit steadily, surely and, in time, completely.

Raising taxes will slow economic growth, reduce production and destroy production and destroy future jobs. So I will not ask you to try to balance the budget on the backs of the American taxpayers. I will seek no tax increases this year and I have no intention of retreating from our basic programmae of tax relief. The budget deficit this year will exceed our earlier expectations. The recession did that.

government and make it National and defence again the servant of the social programmes social programmes

We must cut out more nonessential government spendof employees in the federal work force by 75,000. The budget plan I submit

of Energy and Education, and by eliminating ineffec-tive subsidies for business. We will continue to redirect our resources to our two highest budget priorities — a strong national defence to keep America free and at peace, and a reliable safety et of social programmes for those who have contributed and those who are in need.

Under the new budget, funding for social insurance programmes will be more than double the amount spent only six years ago.

Now that the essentials of

that programme are in place, our next major undertaking must be a programme - just as bold, just as innovated . to make government again accountable to the people, to make our system of federalism work again. Let us solve this problem

with a single, bold stroke— the return of some 47 billion dollars in federal programmes to state and local government, together with the means to finance them. and a transition period of nearly 10 years to avoid unnecessary disruption.
I will shortly send the

Congress a message describing this programme. Starting in fiscal 1984, the federal federal government will assume full responsibility for the cost of the rapidly growing Medicaid progrowing Medicaid pro-gramme to go along with its existing responsibility for Medicare. As part of a financially equal swop, the

In 1984, the federal government will apply the full proceeds from certain excise taxes to a grassroots trust fund that will belong, in fair shares, to the 50 states. The total amount flowing into this fund will be 28 billion

states will simultaneously take full responsibility for

aid to families with depen-dent children and food

dollars a year. Rand in hand with this programme to strengthen the discretion and flexibility of state and local governments, we are proposing legislation for an experimental effort to improve and develop our selves that two centuries depressed urban areas in the from now, another Congress 1980s and 1990s. This legisand another President, meet-1980s and 1990s. This legislation will permit states and localities to apply to the federal government for desig-

ZODes. Our nation's long journey towards civil rights for all our citizens — once a source

nation as urban enterprise

down. We must and shall see that those basic laws that guarantee equal rights are preserved and, when necessary, strengthened. Our concern for equal tights for women is firm and unshakeable.

So far I have concentrated largely on domestic matters. To view the state of the must not ignore the rest of the world.

At Ottawa and Cancun, I met with leaders of the major powers developing nations. Some of those I met were a little surprised that I didn't apologize for America's wealth. Instead I spoke of the strength of the free marketplace system and how it could help them realize their aspirations for economic development and political

In the vital region of the Caribbean basin, we are aid, trade and investment incentives to promote selfsustaining growth and a better, more secure life for our neighbours to the south. Toward those who would export terrorism and subversion in the Caribbean and elsewhere, especially Cuba and Libya, we will act with

Policy of strength and balance

Our foreign policy is a policy of strength, fairness and balance. By restoring America's military credibility, by pursuing peace at the negotiating table where ever both sides are willing to sit down in good faith, and by regaining the respect of America's allies and adversaries alike, we have strengthened our country's and progress in the world.

When action is called for, we are taking it. Our sanctions against military dictatorship that has attempted to crush human rights in Poland and against the Soviet regime behind that military dictator-ship — clearly demonstrated to the world that America will not conduct "business as usual" with the forces of oppression.
If the events in Poland

continue to deteriorate, fur-ther measures will follow. Meanwhile, we are working for reduction of arms and military activities. In those talks it is essential

that we negotiate from a position of strength. We have not neglected to strengthen our traditional alliances in Europe and Asia, or to develop key relationships with our partners in the Middle East and other countries.

Your recent passage of the

Foreign Assistance Act sent a signal to the world that America would not shrink from making the investments necessary for both peace and A recognition of what the

Soviet empire is about is the starting point Winston Churchill, in negotiating with the Soviets, observed that they respect only strength and resolve in their dealings with other nations. Let us so conduct our-

ing in this chamber as we are meeting will speak of us with pride, saying that we met the test and preserved for them in their day the sacred flame of liberty — this last, best hope of man on earth. — Reuter.

EEC attacked over martial law 'alibis'

Madrid on February 9.

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ference must look into the

Belgian External Relations

Minister, who is current president of the EEC's Coun-

Poland is, by chance due to be in the chair at the restart and the conference is

London: The leader of the

West German parliamentary opposition called yesterday for a unified Western response to the military takeover in Poland (Simon Scott

Plummer writes).
Dr Helmut Kohl, chairman
of the Christian Democratic

Union, told a press conference in London that failure

to take concerted action was an invitation to aggression by the Soviet Union.

There was no doubt that General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Polish leader, had in-

expected to end by April.

Mr Leo Tindemans, the

question of human rights.

The failure of EEC countries to react strongly to the and Co-peration in Europe introduction of martial law in Madrid or Fabruary in Madrid or Fabruary in Madrid or Fabruary in the Conference on Security Poland was strongly con-demned today by Mr Tomas Roseingrave, the Irish Presi-The allies have already decided that this is the most dent of the Community's appropriate place in which to Economic and Social Comprotest about martial law protest about martial law, since in its reappraisal of the

'Tragically, it must be said that the reactions of the European countries to the events in Poland have been characterized by hesitations and expediency, by carefully rehearsed alibis?, he told the mittee. There had been the session of the coming general time wasting and ence. tactical decision.

He went on: "It has been said that all that is needed for the triumph of evil is that

good men do nothing. As long as we continue on such a course it is inevitable that human rights will continue to be suppressed, not only in Poland but in other parts of the world. the world." He endorsed demands for

ne endorsed demands for an end to martial law and release of those imprisoned. He also urged that any economic or financial help for Poland should be contin-gent on these demands being Meanwhile, part of the

Western response to military rule in Poland was being prepared by permanent representatives at Nato. They were studying the likely Haig-Gromyko talks, page 8 effects of the Polish crisis on Slavish loyalty, page 12

Guitarist

found in

wardrobe

From Ray Kennedy

Johannesburgh, Jan. 27

A young policeman de-scribed in court today his embarrasment when he took

part in a raid on a house

where a young white woman and a black man were

reported to be having a love

affair,
Constable Mark Venter
told a Johannesburgh magistrate that when police burst
into the house "we were
surprised not to find them in
bed together." Instead Miss
Vivian Epstein, aged 23,

manager of a pop group in the Soweto black township, was dressed but barefoot

when the police entered the

bedroom of her home. But

the group's guitarist, Mr Abraham Mahlobo, aged 27, was found hiding in a wardrobe and he was wearing

only his underpants.

Both have pleaded not guilty to charges of contra-

vening the Immorality Act.

which bars sex between people of different colours

and which is widely con-sidered to be one of South Africa's most discriminatory

come suggestions about how to redraft it to make it less offensive, although he has

not gone so far as to say it should be scrapped altogeth-

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critics advocate.

But while it is still law the

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publicly that he would

affair.

posed martial law at the instigation of the Kremlin. Dr Kohl said. 19 held in raids on

squatters

Cape Town, Jan 27.
More than 100 South African
police last night mounted
their third harassing openation in as many days on a community of some 70 squatters near Cape Town, arresting nine of them, it was reported here today. In an earlier operation

yesterday, 10 people were arrested after police were attacked by a crowd of squatters holding a demonstration against the authorities action. All 19 10 of them women - were expected to appear in court

Soon.

The Star of Johannesburg reported today that four people were wounded yester-day, though police Lieuten-ant Gerhard van Rooyen would only say that shots had

been fired.
In each of the three raids the police destroyed the shacks erected by the squar-ters outside the black town-ship of Nyanga, and each police action aroused strong protests, especially from the main opposition Progressive Federal Party Last August, the South

epartheid laws.

Even Mr P.W. Boths, the African authorities expelled perime Minister, has said several hundred people who several hundred people who had settled outside Nyangs, sending them back in lorries to the Transkei homeland which they had left to seek work. South Africa claims independent countries, giving it the right to expel squatters as illegal immigrants, thus controlling the number of black people allowed to work in white cities. Although there was wide spread unemployment among blacks in the Cape area,

police have the task of reacting to complaints and reports from the public. Constable Venter told the court the police went to Miss Epstein's house after a many of the squatters claimed to have at least partreport from her neighbour, Miss Sarah Van Vuuren. He said, 'We were looking for time employment. Others were the wives or husbands who had permission to work two people of different races making love."

The bed was unmade and in the area, but not the right to bring their families.



Mr Michael Powell: despondent after year in captivity.

Foreign Office rebuked over Briton held in Iraq

Mrs Betty Powell, the to watch a preview of a mother of a British engineer television documentary about who has spent the past year her kidnapped son, Mr as a prisoner of Kurdish Michael Powell, and the insurgents in northern Iraq, struggle of the Kurds against said yesterday that she was the Iraqi Government. The disheartened by the British film, which will be shown Government's failure to secure her son's release. vision's TV Eye programme, cure her son's release.

ence in London that she was Gwynne Roberts who trav"a bit angry and a bit sick" elled for 15 weeks across the
at all the fuss which had most inaccessible regions of
surrounded the recent rescue the Middle East to reach Mr of Mr Mark Thatcher, the Powell and his captors Prime Minister's son, in He discovered that alsouthern Algeria.

prominent personality every dent about his long captivity effort is made to help you. He had thought that he but if not all you get from would be released on threst the Foreign Office is sym- separate occasions but these pathy. Mrs Powell was in London last moment.

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Teachers hit by German law against dissent

From Patricia Clough, Bonn, Jan 27

employees, such as postmen, engine drivers and army cooks, lost their jobs because

mistake and the Social Demo-

temberg and Bavaria, pur-sued it with much the same

vigour as before.

In the past 10 years, according to Away with the Berufsverbot, the main opposition organization, two milion

While at first the authorities were looking out

mainly for communists, now the opponents say they are clamping down on protesters

and at depriving other people of their freedom (AP reported from Bonn).

The right-wing Peoples Socialist Movement of Germ-

any — Labour Party and its youth section, Young Front, were reminiscent in aims and appearance of the Nazi Party which it sought to reestab-

lish, the Ministry said.

The ban was served on Herr Friedhelm Busse, the party's chairman, who has been under investigatory

or were refused jobs.

More than 100 teachers in against Detmold, northern Germany, employe are under investigation by the local authorities for signing a newspaper adver-tisement in support of young squatters who occupied and renovated a local factory.
In MonchenGladbach two

would-be schoolmasters were refused jovs and two other teachers were barred from promotion recently because they supported another advertisement against the sta-tioning of nuclear missiles in West Germany.

Herr Alexander Schubart, a Frankfurt municipal offi-cial, was suspended from his inh pending disciplinary.

job pending disciplinary proceedings because he organized a demonstration against the building of a

against the building of a cases of known extremists of third runway at Frankfurt for especially sensitive jobs.

But that only concerned the federal bureaucracy, not the federal bureaucracy, not the federal system have a liberalization, West Germany's Berufsverbot is alive Social Deomerat-roled and well and has taken on new forms.

On January 28, 1972, Herr Willy Brandt, who was then governments of Baden-Würt-

new forms.
On January 28, 1972, Herr Willy Brandt, who was then Chancellor, and the Prime Ministers of the 11 Lander (states) issued regulations intended to keep political extremists out of public jobs. Anyone who engaged in "activities against the consti-

tution" or who belonged to organizations regarded as hostile to the constitution, should be barred from public employment, they decreed.

They had the best of intentions. Extreme left-wing leaders of the 1968 student rebellion had announced a lion people have been checked on, 5,000 have had objections raised against them and 1,000 actually lost rebellion had announced a "march through the insti-tutions" to subvert the

- anti-nuclear energo or anti-missile campaigners and system from within,
With bitter memories of
how the Nazis gained control people who sympathize with squatters. Some 100 teachers in Baden-Württemberg reof the state bureaucracy, Herr Brandt and the others were anxious to defend West ceived warnings after issuing an appeal to the public to attend a show protesting Germany's young democracy. They were putting into force postwar laws which stated against the Berufsverbot. explicitly that public jobs can Party banned: The West German Interior Ministry only be given to those "who at all times champion the today banned a neo-nazi party which it said aimed at murder and manslaughter free democratic system".

But after a few years had passed its authors, like the sorcerer's apprentice. Became aghast at the mischief they had unwittingly unleashed.

Many thousands of young people who applied for jobs found their past histories were being checked with the security services. Past or present membership of or simply association extremist groups such as the communists, participation in demonstrations and other political activities were held arrest since October 21. ban ends holiday for **Britons**

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From Harry Debelius -Madrid, Jan 27

Cruise ship

A Cape Town-to-London cruise ended today for hun-dreds of Britons after the cruise liner Achille Lauro had been held in the Canary they were communists.
Countless decent young people began bitterly to resent the "democratic" sys-Islands for alleged non-pay-ment of debts. Most of the

The ship, owned by Laura Lines, of Naples, arrived in Santa Cruz, Tenerife, on Saturday. At midday, accord-ing to Spanish naval auth-There was an outcry, both at home and abroad. The somewhat misleading term Berufsverbot (literally professionban) became a passing to Spanish naval auth-orities, a court order was served on the master, barring the vessel from leaving.

Authorities said the order was a result of proceedings instigated by a company in Hamburg for alleged nonword in other European countries for German insen-sitivity to democratic rights. Horrified, Herr Brandt admitted it had been a mistake and the Social Demo-crat-Free Democrat Govern-ment abolished the routine security check except in cases of known extremists or

chartered to fly all but 20 or 30 of them to Gatwick.

other passengers going to Britain were to go to Cadiz by ferry, the agent said. He did not give details about the rest of their journey, saying that arrange-ments were made by the tour

A spokesman at the British consulate in Santa Cruz said officials were not requested to intervene in the matter. There was a fire on the Achille Lauro while it was on its way to South Africa last month. Three people were listed dead or missing.

Charting Zimbabwe's future

Mugabe tests opinion on one-party state

Mr Robert Mugabe, Zimbabwe's Prime Minister, has told The Times that he is actively seeking support for the setting up of a one-party state, and that as far as his own Zanu (PF) party is concerned it is mot a matter of whether (such a state) is feasible but when it shall come about."

Interviewed in his modest

Salisbury office, the Prime Minister insisted, however, that he was in no hurry one does not want to bring this about by way of illegal imposition, nor does one want to bring this about hastily. One wants to discuss this as widely as possible".

Mr Mugabe's carefully balanced comments need to be set assing the much more than the comments of the set assing the much more than the comments of the set assing the much more than the comments of the set assing the much more than the comments of the set assing the much more than the comments of the set assing the much more than the comments of the c Hamburg for alleged nonpayment of container rentals.
The debt was reported to be
about £190,000.

Agents in Tenerife said at
least three-quarters of the
436 passengers were British,
and that two aircraft were

The debt was reported to be
as made during recent tours
of the countryside. In these
he has declared that Zanu
(PF) will "rule forever", that
it is above Parliament beCause it represents the records and that opposition parties "bent on destroying the country" should not be allowed to exist.

Mr Mugabe also drew fire from Mr Joshua Nkomo, the leader of the Patriotic Front 'formerly Zapu), by announcing that they were to meet soon to discuss the merger of their two parties, which currently rule in coalition, as the precursor to the formation of a one-party state. Mr Nkomo said he knew of no plans for such discussions and accused Mr Mugabe of whites and currently filled by
Mr Ian Smith's Republican
Front Party.)

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demagogic vein, Mr Mugabe
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a step on him, but it was "not a matter we should rush into just now".

Mr Mugabe also said that, despite Mr Nkomo's denial, he fully expected talks on uniting Zanu (PF) and the Patrionic Front to go ahead in a week or two. "Frankly, I think (he) needs unity more than we do", he said, and claimed that the initiative for the discussions had been applied to the claimed that the initiative for the discussions had been applied to the claimed that the initiative for the discussions had been applied to the claimed that the initiative for the discussions had been applied to the claimed that the initiative for the claimed that such discussions had come from Mr Nkomo after a meeting with President meeting with Canaan Banana.

Asked to define what he meant by a one-party state, Mr Mugabe said: "I mean a democratic state where only one party operates as the he policies the Government will pursue. I also mean that one party shall arise as the result of the democratic will of the people" The possibility of a referendum has been

would be set up, incorporat- (PF).

of the 100 MPs in the ing different political groups, Assembly. (Until 1987 20 of which would effectively rethese seats are reserved for place Parliament as the

demagogic vein, Mr Mugabe often leaves the impression under one umbrella. You have within that one-party state is have within that one-party fust round the corner. He insisted during his interview with me, however, that the purpose of his recent speeches had merely been to "tell the day, when the decision is the people that they should not think nothing is being done in this direction". His supporters were urging such a step on him but it was "not of the Government", the

translated into the decision of the Government", the Prime Minister said.

There is no doubt that such a system is widely felt in Zimbabwe to be more appropriate to an African country than the multi-party Westminster model bequeathed by the Lancaster House settlement

It is obviously a matter of concern to Mr Mugabe that, despite winning 57 of the 80 common roll seats at the preindependence elections, he does not have a truly national base since the vast bulk of his support comes from the Shona-speaking central and north-eastern areas

Mr Nkomo and his followers do not dispute the case for a one-party state, which excites more alarm outside the country than it does inside (even among whites), but he is plainly reluctant to be rushed into it As Mr Mugabe describes it, merely end up being sub-kind of national front merged in the larger Zanu

Salisbury police seek second white MP

From Stephen Taylor Salisbury, Jan-27

nave been issued with minusterial orders to arrest a
second white MP. Mr Denis
Walker, who returned here
from a holiday in South
Africa last week.
Members of the Central

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Intelligence Organization, the State security bureau, were stationed around the House of Assembly today to detain Mr Walker if he arrived to take his place.

But the MP for Mr Ian Smith's Republican Front Party, who has twice attend-ed Parliament since return-ing to Zimbabwe last week. Did not put in an appearance, and close associates said they

Meanwhile, lawyers acting for Mr Wally Stuttaford, another MP who has been held under emergency pow-ers at Chikurubi maximum security prison since December 11, said they expected a summons to be served on Mr Emmerson Munangagwa; the Security Minister, in the next two days. The MP is claiming damages from the Minister, who is in charge of the CIO, for torture which he claims he suffered in detention. It is understood that, when the police arrested Mr Stuttaford for allegedly plotting to overthrow the government, they were also seeking Mr Walker. However, the Bula-wayo South MP had left the

country a few days earlier for a holiday

SPEAKING UP FOR SMOKERS

caster House accords is observed, any move to a one-

party state would certainly

seem to be ruled out at least until 1987 and probably until

1990, because the right of political association be al-

tered only by unanimous vote

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Two Indian killers face death

From Trevor Fishlock Delhi, Jan 27

Two men are due to be hanged here on Sunday for the kidnapping and murder of two children. Their case has raised again the debate over the place of capital punishment in the Indian

penal system.
In May 1979 the Supreme
Court stayed all executions
while it decided on the constitutional validity of the death sentence. In November 1980 the court said that the normal sentence for murder was life imprisonment, and that the death sentence should be imposed in the "rarest of rare cases".

The two Delhi murderers were to have been hanged two months ago, for a particularly brutal crime committed in 1978. However, shortly before the time fixed for their execution in Delhi Central Jail, they were re-prieved by three Supreme Court judges.

Once again all executions were stayed, while the Court considered the extent of the President's powers, under the constitution, to grant clemency. Although the Court has now decided that the question of presidential powers does not apply in the case of one of the condemned men, this prisoner is making legal moves to seek another reprieve. It is still not certain that both men will be hanged

Jail doctor commits

49, was the physician in charge at Moabit prison in West Berlin last spring when six terrorists there joined comrades in other parts of West Germany in a hunger strike to demand better conditions. He refused demands by the authorities to force-feed the hunger strik-

relationship to trust.

He pressed for improvements in their living conditions and even supported demands — which the auth-orities rejected as unaccept-able — that four other be transferred to Berlin from other prisons.

The hunger strike ended after another terrorist who was being forced-fed, died in Celle jeil. The fact that none

died was attributed to Dr Leschhorn's good offices.

But later the authorities started disciplinary proceed-ing, alleging that he "sympa-thized in an unjustifiable manner" with the terrorists. They said he had prevented officials from searching their cells where it later emerged cells where, it later emerged they had stored a rope in the

suicide

From Our Own Corres Bono, Jan 27

loctor had hanged him desperation over disciplinary action because he allegedly sympathized too much with hunger-striking terrorists. Dr Volker Leschhorn, aged

MP quits Schmidt party over missile policy

Manfred Coppik, quit the party today in protest at Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's defence and environment

"I can no longer share responsibility for the policies of this government", he said in a letter to the SPD chairman, Herr Willy Brandt, which he read at a news

Herr Coppik, a 38-year-old lawyer, was one of six SPD deputies who voted against the defence budget last week. He opposed Nato plans to deploy new United States nuclear medium-range missiles in West Germany

The Nato rearmament decision was a fatal error and a threat to peace", he wrote in the letter to Herr Brandt,

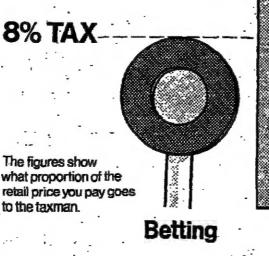
Bonn, Jan 27. — A leftwing Social Democrat (SPD)
Member of Parliament, Herr
Manfred Coppik, quit the
party today in protest at
Chaptellor Helmut Schmidt's

Lancellor Helmut Schmidt's year, as an independent left-wing backbencher. They plan to call a "con-

ference of democratic social-ists" in March to discuss the possible formation of a new party, grouping supporters of the peace movement and grouping supporters ecologists.

The new group is unlikely to become a mass movement, but political analysts believe it could damage the SPD's electoral chances and might win the 5 per cent of votes necessary to enter Parlia-

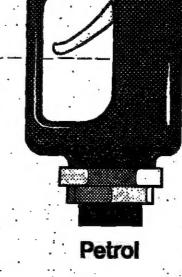
ment. Heir Coppik accused the Bonn government of disman-tling West Germany's social tling West Germany's social welfare system to boost defence spending dispropor-



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600 feared dead in Peru floods

Defence authorities today rushed food and medicine to a jungle area where a river burst its banks, leaving more than 600 people dead or

The official news agency reported that the flooding along a 60-mile stretch of the Chontayacu valley "wiped 16 settlements off the map" and left thousands homeless. It said the disaster occurred before dawn on Saturday when a rain-swollen lake overflowed into the Chontayacu river near its source.
"The water arrived with a "The water arrived with a loud noise which lasted for more than an hour", one of the survivors told the agency's reporters who reached the town of Uchiza yesterday. "Later, we realized the extent of the tragedy as hundreds of people ran to high ground in Uchiza, where the flood waters passed about 2 am."

The agency said the only things left behind in the area were "tons of mud and rocks and roof tiles of some flooded homes".

Uchiza is the largest town along the river with a population exceeding 2,500, most of whom were left homeless, the agency re-ported, — AP.

Politician shot in El Salvador

Salvador.— Señor Rafael Rodriguez Gonzalez, head of the right-wing National Conciliation Party has been shot dead on the eve of the official start of campaigning for seats on the constituent assembly to be elected in March. In other developments,

top-ranking government spokesman said six suspects in the killings of four American church women more than a year ago will go to trial "within a few days".

Kuwait relaxes abortion law

Kuwait. - The Kuwaiti Parliament has voted to relax abortion laws; but feminists marched outside the National Assembly building to protest against last week's vote denying women the right to

Abortions will be allowed the pregnancy would result in "gross physical harm" to the mother or if the foetus has brain damage.

Briton jailed for cheque forgeries

Bangkok. — Malcolm Brimble, an Englishman aged 32, has been jailed for 18 by the Bangkok criminal court. Mr Brimble, from Essex, was arrested on October 25 in the Thai capital for trying to pass five forged cheques each worth about £110.

Tourists killed Manilla. — Eleven

Cana dians tourists and a Filipino another and burst into flames in the northern Philippines.

Gromyko tells Haig that 'interference' must end

imposed in Poland, this week's encounter between

Mr Andrei Gromyko the unprepared on the subject. Soviet Foreign Minister, has While the peoples of the warned Mr Alexander Haig, world awaited a solution to his American counterpart, the problem of strategic that the United States must arms, "all responsibility for cease invertexance in the consequences of the cease interference in the consequences of the Poland's internal affairs.

Policy aimed at blocking (the

In a statement at Geneva talks) rests with the administairport before he left Swit- ration of the United States, zerland for East Germany, and that is a responsibility Mr Gromyko said that he and which it cannot escape," Mr Mr Haig had "touched upon" the Polish question during Before martial law was their eight hours of falls on impassed in Poland this their eight hours of talks on

Tuesday
The Soviet side had "firmly declared" that the United
States must end its interference in Poland. Moscow would not discuss Polish called Start negotiations affairs with anyone, "and (Strategic Arms Reduction that includes the United Talks).

States of America," he said.

Mr Gromyko's viewpoint Tuesday that President Rea-

was, not surprisingly, rather gan was anxious for "mean-different from that of Mr larger bilateral deliberations Haig, who emphasized above on strategic arms and that all Soviet responsibility for Washington was actively the situation in Poland. The American Secretary of State such talks. The Secretary of had claimed that there had been "a two-sided distributions could not cussion" on Poland.

had claimed that there had state added, however, that been "a two-sided discussion" on Poland.

If so, it seems likely that it consisted largely of Mr Haig setting out the American reason to suppose there was position, which he did in some detail, and Mr Gromyko reiterating that it was none of America's business.

The word of the engotiations could not open under present circumstances.

Certainly, there is no reason to suppose there was a genuine dialogue of give and take. Mr Gromyko can have been left in no doubt, however, that the United In his airport statement, States regards an easing of Mr Gromyko said that the martial law in Poland as a

Soviet Union was ready to begin negotiations on a reduction of strategic arms.

But, he said, the American were "found to be martial law in Poland as a precondition for reopening the strategic arms limitation talks, and a test for East-West relations in general.

Where to two sides did

Carrington will see how

Britain lost goodwill

agree was on the value of the meeting itself, notwithstand-ing, or rather because of, their differences. Mr Haig said the discussions contri-buted to the ability of both sides to understand the concerns of the other. Tass called the discussions necessary and useful".

Mr Gromyko in his time has dealt with no fewer than eight American. Secretaries of State. He has seen them come and he has seen them go, as the old saying has it, and he does not give the impression of a man who is ever rattled or unsettled by pressure. On the contrary, he has behind him the assurance of long continuity in office. the Russians and American foreign ministers had been expected to produce a date for the opening of the so-called Start negotiations (Strategic Arms Reduction of long continuity in office.

Mr Haig has been under fire in Washington and in an obvious sense had to justify himself to his critics at the meeting in Geneva this week.

The main lever for exercising influence over Moscow, so it emerged from the Geneva discussions which lasted nearly eight hours, is the resumption of the Start talks. Moscow wants these

The difficulty for the United States in holding out for too long is that the European allies are desperately keen to see the disarma-ment talks make progress, both at the level of strategic weapons and, closer to home, in intermediate nuclear wea-

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Witnesses say doctor was wrong

child had been mistaken in assuming that the baby was seriously deformed, a paediatrician told a Munich

there were no grounds for concluding that it would have suffered a serious mental randicap.

handicap.

He was testifying at the trial of Dr Willi Appel, a Munich gynaecologist, aged 47, and his former assistant, Dr Eva-Maria klotz, aged 29, who face manslaughter charges arising from the child's death last April.

baby girl, who, he said, had abnormally long limbs and a massively deformed head. But -professor Riegel, called by the prosecution, said

Manfred Hansmann, a gynaecologist, who appeared for the defence, said that the child's head had a circumference of 11in and was "clearly

Von Bulow trial delay Prince Alex defence requests seek-

Auersperg arriving at the Newport, Rhode Island, Superior Court, where Mr Claus von Bûlow, his stepfather, is on trial charged with trying to kill his heiress wife with insulin injections.

Yesterday, a tour by the jury of Clarendan Court, the von Bulow mansion in Newport, was postponed by Judge Thomas Needham until today. This will allow him time to consider ing the dismissal of the indictment. The defence wants to

forbid the prosecution to use as evidence the contents of a black bag, containing hypodermic needles and drugs, allegedly found in Mr von Bulow's locked closet, plus transcripts of Mr von Bulow's first two encounters with detectives. The jury is to see the closet adjoining Mr von Bulow's

Turks face denunciation by Council of Europe

Strasbourg, Jan. 27. — The biggest threat to Armed with a report from its Turkey is the possibility of fact-finding commission, the being brought before the Parliamentary Assembly of council's Human Rights' the 21-nation Council of Commission, which would Europe today began what force Ankara to answer was expected to be a heated serious charges or withdraw debate on military rule in from the organization volume. debate on military rule Turkey.
But a move by some

parliamentarians to expel Turkey seems likely to fail. The result, when the debate ends tomorrow, will probably be the adoption of a resolution strongly condenming violations of human rights in Turkey, coupled with a call for the Government to follow through plans it has announced for a return to democracy and the restoration of fundamental free-

tarily, as Greece did under the regime of the colonels in 1969 when the same tactic was used. The resolution "condemns

the human rights violations which have taken place in Turkey, the abolition of political parties and trade union organizations . . . torture and ill-treatment inflicted on political prisoners

World Bank forced to cut cheap loans From Nicholas Hirst, Washington, Jan 27

The World Bank has cut been told that it must expect back sharply its subsidized fewer cheap loans. The subloans to poor Third World countries because of a reduction in contribut ms from the United States.

lending this year throug.. . 1e Development Association, a World Bank affiliate, compared with an original target of \$4,100m.

Under the Reagan budget cuts of last year, contri-butions of \$3,240m will extend over four years in-stead of three. America is providing \$750m in the finan-cial year to June 20 instead of the expected \$1,080m. Other contributors to the

loan fund decided last year that they would cur back their own contributions in proportion to those of the United States, further reduc-ing funds available for the A spokesman for the World

Bank said today, however, that Sweden, Norway and Denmark would maintain their level of contributions.

poorest countries who had hoped to borrow at subsi-dized terms.

Saharan Africa region is faced with cutbacks from \$1,100m to \$900m. Many of these nations are not suffi-Only \$2,600m (s 'ut ciently creditworthy to. £1,300m) will be available or obtain loans outside the World Bank system.

Considerable criticism hes been levelled at the United States within World Bank circles.

President Reagan in his State of the Union message yesterday told Congress that by approving the Foreign Assistance Act it had "sent a signal to the world than.
America would not shrink from making the investments necessary for both peace and security".

But the main thrust-of. American policy on foreignaid is to encourage private investment in the Third World, and to take a hard. nosed look at the benefits of grants and soft loans.

The United States had pushed the World Bank to

fower the level at which poor countries would qualify for its loans. The board of To compensate, the bank is directors yesterday, however increasing other lending by \$800m, an increase of 8 per capita income of \$2,650 at cent. This will hit hard at the which loans to a countrie. per capita income of \$2,650 at which loans to a country would be phased out over a

hoped to borrow at subsidized terms.

South Asia will suffer most reaches that level the bank with loans this year being reduced from \$2,800m to 51,600m. India, main recipito. acquire loans in the ent in this area, has already commercial money markets.

Nimeiry consults Egypt after Sudan purges

Aswan, Jan 27. — President Hosni Mubarak and President Gazfar Nimeiry of Sudan discussed Sudan's economic and military needs today, in advance of a scheduled visit to Washington by the Egyptian leader. The four-hour meeting was held at the winter resort of Aswan in Upper Egypt at Mr Mubarak's request.

The summit meeting came after a series of riots in Sudan, sparked by big price rises, and a shake-up of the country's political leader-

Egyptian officials said they vere concerned about events in Sudan, one of Cairo's few remaining friends in the Arab world, since President Nimeiry introduced a tough austerity programme last November. The two countries are bound by a political and economic pact which calls for periodic consultations.

On Monday, President Nimeiry dismissed. General Abdul-Magid Hamid Khalil, his First Vice-President and Defence Minister. He also dismissed the national leader-Socialist Union, the Country's sole political party, and retired 22 senior officers from the armed forces. General Izzeddein Ali Malik, several thousand General Izzeddein Ali Malik, the Army Chief of Staff, was among those retired, according to informed sources.

several thousand horiculturists. They threw stones and other missiles at the police and tried to force the Mr Nimeiri told reporters

in Aswan today that the officers had been replaced because they had been unable to contribute to the national Ankara is anxious to good. He said the situtation preserve respectability that in his country was "as stable goes with membership.—AP. as could be". He added: "The

fact that I am here with you is definite evidence of Sudanese stability.."— Reuter. ☐ London: Israel's total with-

drawal from Sinai will not be repeated elsewhere, Mr Shlo-mo Argov, Israel's Ambassas dor to Britain, said (Henry Stanhope writes). It was important to make this clear while the retreat from Sinai was being completed, he told the Royal United Services Institute. The anbassador added that there was a limit to what could be demanded of his country even for the sake of peace. Those who made such

demands on Israel had either not consulted their military chiefs, which was careless; or had not felt obliged to concern themselves with the consequences - which was Mr Argov added: "We are

in absolute earnest about-our resolve to achieve for our selves new and credible boundaries. This is the resultneither of idiosyncrasy nor the product of irrational whim but rather the dictate. of the strategic and historic . facts of our lives."

firehoses outside the Knesset today in a vain attempt to break up a demonstration by gates to the Knesset espla-

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against the refusal by Mr. Simcha Erlich, the agricum ture minister, to grant them more profitable conditions for flower exports.—AFP.

Court of Appeal

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GLC tenant loses purchase case

Queen's Bench Division

When time limit for appeals starts

Griffiths and Another v Secretary of State for the Environment and Another Before Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce, Lord Justice Templeman and Lord Justice Dunn [Judgment delivered January 26]

The six weeks from the date on which "the action is taken" given by section 245 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 to an aggrieved person for applying to the High Court for an action of the Secretary of State for the Environment to be quashed ran from the date when the secretary, of state's decision letter was put from the date when the secretary of state's decision letter was put in the post, not from the date when it was received. The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Mr P. Eiridge Griffiths and Hilma A. Griffiths from the decision of Sir Douglas Frenk, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, on March 10, 1981 upholding the dismissal by Master Thompson, QC, of the appellants' motion under section 245 on the ground that it was out of time.

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The court cast doubt on decisions of the Divisional Court in Minister of Labour v Genner Iron & Steel Co (Wollescote) Ltd (1967] 1 WLR 1386) and Ringroad Investments Ltd v Secretary of State for the Environment ((1979) 40 P & CR 99) under section 246 of the 1971 Act and Order 55, rule 4 (4) of the Rules of the Supreme Court to the effect that on different to the effect that, on different statutory wording, "notice of the decision was given" when the decision letter was sent rather than when it was received

Mr Griffiths in person; Mr P. G. Langdon-Davies for the secretary of state. LORD JUSTICE TEMPLEMAN said that the secretary of state had decided to dismiss Mr Griffith's planning appeal and had delegated responsibility for

had delegated responsibility for pronouncing that decision to a senior executive officer. That officer had drafted the decision letter, signed it and handed it to a junior officer who had date-stamped it, put it in an envelope and put it in the "out" tray for delivery by first-class post. The letter was date-stamped December 8, 1980. On that evidence, the

court accepted that the letter had been signed and posted on

being recognized, but for the future much will depend how

Malaysia, where Lord Carrington will need to be his

received.

For his Lordship's part, he thought that on the plain meaning of "giving notice", unless there was some statutory provision to the contrary, the requirements of Order 55, rule 4 (4) were satisfied only when the decicion letters was requirements.

... action" when he had done so As the Act envisaged that the decision would be communicated to the appellant, it could be said

December 8.

If what had happened then constituted the relevant "action-taken" by the secretary of state for the purposes of section 245, Mr Griffiths's application to the court had been out of time.

Mr Griffiths said that the letter had been purposed by him.

Mr Griffiths said that the letter had not been received by him until December 13. If that was the relevant data, his application had been in time.

The question was, therefore: when was the "action...taken"?

In Minister of Labour v Geoner, the Divisional Court had been concerned with Order 55, rule 4 (4), of the Rules of the Supreme Court which gave 28 days for appelling "from the date on which notice of the decision was given to the appellant". In Ringroad Investments, the Divisional Court had felt itself bound by what had been said in Geoner to hold that notice of a decision was given under Order 55, rule 4 (4) on the date when the decision letter was posted, not on the date when it was received.

(4) were satisfied only when the decision letter was received. The formula in section 245 differed, however, from that in the order and section 246. It seemed to his Lordship that it could not be said that the secretary of state had "taken... action" until he had committed some interpretable state. Femalls in some irrevocable step. Equally, it could be said that he had "taken

to the appellant, it could be said that the secretary of state had "taken . . . action" after the decision letter had been drafted, signed and posted, because once it was popped in the postbox it was irrevocable so far as the secretary of state was concerned. Prior to that, he might have changed his mind.

Lord Justice Days, and Lord Lord Justice Dunn and Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce agreed.

legislation when it came into effect.

They would have been wrong to endeavour to tell applicants for tenancies what conditions would be laid down in an Act which had not been passed and was still the subject of debate. It was right that they should therefore set out the matter in the general terms in which it appeared.

Mr Justice Talbot so held in the Queen's Bench Division when giving judgment for the council in an action brought by Mr Philip Arthur Mandeville who claimed that he had been induced by that advertisement and other documents sent by the council to prospective tenants to believe that he would be able to buy his flat as soon as the 1980 Act came into force.

Mandeville left a flat in which he was quite comfortable and entered into an agreement with the council to become a tenant of a flat at 68 Reedham Close, Ferry Lane, Tottenham, London, at a substantially higher rant than normal for such premises.

The Act came into effect on October 3, 1980 and Mr Mandeville's application to buy was October 3, 1980 and Mr Mande-ville's application to buy was refused on the ground that he did not fulfil section 1 (3) of the Act whereby the right to buy only arose after three years' tenancy. He sought damages for breach of warranty, misrepresentation, negligence and a court order for

a new tenancy at the normal Mr John Lofthouse for Mr Mandeville; Mr James Goudie for the Greater London Council.

MR JUSTICE TALBOT said that it was not disputed that the plaintiff was a secured tenant

Mandeville v Greater London Council Before Mr Jostice Talbot [Judgment delivered January 27] The Greater London Council were not representing to prospective purchasers. In order to proceed accommodation immediately the Housing Act 1880 came into effect when they advertised that tenants would be in a position to buy "when the government" is made an application is right to buy legislation is canacted". The council were only the properties it will be on the sand the reason of mistake. It was alleged that the standard would be in accordance with the betting of the Ferry Lane and the legislation when it came into buy legislation is canacted. The council were taking steps when they were up certain what the hey adolf the council in addition, the plaintiff precise provisions of the legislation. In addition, the plaintiff the letting of the Ferry Lane property with a view to purchase accommodation immediately the Housing Act 1880 came into effect when they advertised that tenants would be in a position to buy "when the government" is made an application is canacted. The council were only the council were only the council were only the council were only the properties. It will be on the understanding that you will properties, it will be on the legislation when it came into effect. The legislation when it came into effect. The plaintiff relied on that as a further representation that he plaintiff relied on that as a further representation that he plaintiff relied on that as a further representation that he plaintiff relied on that as a further representation that he plaintiff relied on the council were only the council were only the council were only the council were only the council were taking steps when the legislation what the plaintiff relied to the council were on mistake. It was a leged that the council were on mistake was not induced by the council were on mistake was not induced by the mistake was not induced by the council were on mistake was not induced to the council were on mistake was not induced by the coun The plaintiff made an application. He received a document saying in part: "If we are able to house you in one of the properties, it will be on the understanding that you will purchase it when the Housing Act comes into effect." The plaintiff relied on that as a further representation that he would be able to buy immediately the Act came into force.

A large number of applications followed that advertisement and it became necessary for the council's housing department to interview prospective applicants. The housing officer drew up notes for the guidance of interviewers. Those notes pointed

notes for the guidance of interviewers. Those notes pointed out that it might be up to three years before applicants had an opportunity to purchase. The plaintiff had an interview and relied on what was said then as a further warranty that he would be able to buy as soon as the Act came into force.

His Lordship said that on first impression there seemed to be a representation on which the plaintiff acted, but on looking at the matter more deeply that could not be the position.

All parties were operating against a background of prospective legislation. The offer to sell-would have to be under the

would have to be under the provisions of the Act. in all those circumstances it would not be right to say that the conneil were telling tenants that immediately on the passing of the Act they would have the right to buy.

It was important to note that when the advertisement was put in the newspaper and the document was sent to applicants the qualifying period in the Act was set at three years but that was the subject of debate. There was a surgestion that the period was a suggestion that the period should be five years or that there should be no qualifying period at There was a state of uncer-tainty so that the council were not in a position to state what the qualifying period was. The

Solicitor's client has no duty to mitigate

Befc Mr Justice Mars-Jones ment delivered January 26]

A purchaser of property who refused to abandon his original idea of making improvements to idea of making improvements to the property when he became aware of a defect in title was not in breach of his duty to mitigate his loss, Mr Justice Mars-Jones held in the Queen's Bench Division when giving judgment for the client in an action for negligence against his solicitors, Hawkins & Co, King's Lynn.

Mr Joseph Butler-Sloss for the client; Mr Martin Buckley for the solicitors.

MR JUSTICE MARS-JONES

Continuing planning offences

Tandridge District Council v
Powers

Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief
Justice and Mr Justice Woolf

Judgment delivered January 20

Section 89(4) of the Town and
Country Planning. Act 1971,
which provides that a person
convicted of non-compliance with
an enforcement notice under
section 89(1) commits an offerce

(1). It was his Lordship's
impression from the language an enforcement notice under section 39(1) commits an offeoce if he does not at soon as practicable do everything in his power to secure compliance with the notice, creates a continuing

ttence. The Divisional Court allowed The Divisional Court allowed Tandridge District Council's appeal by case stated from a decision of the Godstone Justices. Subjey, that they were precluded from hearing an information under section 89(4) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 isid against the defendant, Henry John Powers, because he had been previously acquirted of an offence under the sume subsection.

Mr Roy Lemon for the council; Mr Roy Lemon for the council; Mr Philip Petchey for the defendant.

impression from the language that the subsection created a that the subsection created a continuing offence.

That view was furtified by St Albans District Council v Norman Harper Autosales Ltd ((1977) 35 P & CR 70), dealing with the second limb of section 89(5). His

second time of section (3/5). His Lordship silopted the comparison made in that case between section (89(1) and (89(4) by Mr Justice May, although strictly It was submitted for the defendant that even if the offence was a continuing one,

oftence was a continuing one, nevertheless the defendant was nevertheless.

In answer to that, the approach of the Divisional Court in R v Chertsey Justices, Ex parte Franks (11961) 2 QB 152, 160) dealing with the similar provisions of the predecessor to section 89(5) was also applicable to the interpretation of section 59(4(a): "'He shall be guilty of a further offence and liable... to a fine... for every day on which the use is so continued," is to be construed as meaning a fine...

the use is so continued, is to be construed as meaning a fine ... for every day on which an offence triable by the justices was committed. Thus, in respect of the period covered by the previous proceedings, the justices would have no jurisdiction, and it would not be open to them to impose a fine calculated by reference to that period. That interpretation avoided the consequence that the defendant would be fined in respect of a period when he had been previously acquitted. been previously acquitted.
It followed that the appeal should be allowed and the case remitted to the justices.

Solicitors: Mr Robert C.

It was within the special knowledge of the solicitors that the client intended to expend a large sum of money on modernizing and extending the property as a high quality family residence for himself in a quiet location with a large garden. In 1975 the client acting through the solicitors completed

through the solicitors completed the purchase. At the time of the purchase some of the land purchased constituted part of the public highway so that the cheathad unknowingly purchased assmaller and less valuable property than he had intended to. After the purchase the solicitors first became aware of the defect in title when they investigated a neighbour's claim

that there was a right of way in respect of some of the property. The client spent large sums of money in carrying out renovations and installations on the The solicitors admitted that The solicitors admitted that they were negligent in failing to ascertain that the vendor was not able to pass good ride to pass of the land but contended that the client had failed in his duty to

take reasonable steps to mitigate his loss in that he should have abandoned the idea of the extension to the cottage once it became clear that there was a defect in title to the land. His Lordship said that having embarked upon an enterprise to build a substantial family house it would be unreasonable to expect the client to build a house of holf-the client

of half the size. The degree of foreseeahility was higher when there was a contract than it was in tors because both sides participated.

The client's loss was foresetable as being a not unlikely result of the solicitor's negligence because they knew that substantial extension was planned. The client was therefore entitled to damages.

Solicitors: Simons, Muirhead & Allan; Mills & Reeve, Norwich

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When Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, begins his tank" predicts 102 per cent tour of the capitals of the Association of South East Asian Nations (Asean) in Jakarta tomorrow he will see group, with a total population for himself how Britain must of more than 230 million, are make up for economic lost industrializing at one level or for himself how Britain must make up for economic lost industrializing at one level or time in an area with perhaps the best growth prospects in the world.

He will find, too, an area with a great reserve of become the computer and to become the computer and the whole the computer and the compu He will find, too, an area pore, which is determined to with a great reserve of become the computer and goodwill for the British services centre for the whole which has been allowed to region.

diminish during the last 10 Both Indonesia and Malay-years through neglect and siz have suffered marked concentration on the Euro-pean Community. Much of exports of natural resources the inherent advantage that and British business will face Britain has in the area hurdles for this reason alone Britain has in the area hurdles for this reason alone through its presence in in Indonesia. But Jakarta is colonial times and through keen to get away from its keen to get away from its almost total economic depenthe inclinaton of many of the older generation to look on it dence on Japan.
In Malaysia the Carrington as a second home has gone to

as a second home has gone to others by default.

The fact party will include eight leading businessmen is an indication that the potential of the Asean countries is being recognized, but for the future much will depend how

the initiative is exploited.

South East Asian Businessmen complain of the British propensity for "parachuting" into an area and expecting to come away with orders. In contrast, the Americans who stay in Jakarta's hotels are testimony of the need to establish a presence over an ight.

lowest bid.

Lord Carrington's task will be to get the measure of the grievances and impress upon all and sundry in Britain the need to respect Malaysia's new economic policy. Recannot expect to change the Prime Minster's mind overnight. establish a presence over an night.

extended period before significant business can be discussing Asian's policy on Cambodia in the light of the done. With the exception of Khmer Rouge's lack of enthusiasm for joining a loose coalition of Khmers "to" fight Vietnamese forces most diplomatic, the potential "to" fight Vietnamese forces for business is striking in the country. Singapore compared with the depressed recently proposed such a

Munich, Jan 27. — A doctor accused of killing a new-born court today. Professor Klaus Riegel said

that, although the baby had a smaller head than average,

Dr Appel admitted on Monday that he had adminis-tered a lethal injection to the

that it was incorrect to assume that the baby would have been badly handicapped. "The risk-was wrongly assessed", he Another witness, Professor

too small." Under questioning, however, Professor Ransmann said that he would definitely have let the child live. Newly-

born babies were allowed to die only if they could not conceivably sustain life, for example if they were born without 2 brain or kidneys, he said. — Reuter.



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Over the water

In 1966 the sea smashed the protective walls and flooded Venice, raising the water level by two metres and causing terrible damage. Five years later BBC's Horizon visited the city and reported in gloom on its future,

discovering a plethora of plans but little action.

Last night John Julius Norwich reported lucidly on behalf of BBC2's Chronicle, on how the three main threats to Venice — subsidence caused by that old mischief-maker man, natural subsidence and eustacy (that is the change in the sea table brought about by the advance or retreat of continental glaciers) — were being met, It seems now that Horizon

was too glum about the whole thing; that man, though incorrigible, may not be entirely inept. Not that Chronicle's report, or John Julius Norwich himself, was at all complacent, for the struggle to preserve Venice will be unending.

The Italians have pulled themselves together. They passed a Special Law for Venice in 1973 and took on huge loans. Internationally it has been accepted that the job is too big for the Italians lone, and countries have, as it were, rowed in to help out. Each does its own thing, which might well be the secret, selects a conservation project and gets on with it.
The British record — and
John Julius Norwich is
himself chairman of the
Venice in Peril Fund — is excellent. They have restored the Church of San Nicolo dei Mendicoli and cleaned the main entrance to the Doge's Palace, and are contributing to the enormous task of renewing the Cathedral of

The Italians have been very active and much has been learnt about the technical problems of keeping the city afloat. The water table is being carefully monitored, wells have been sealed, and industries draw less water from the city. There are signs that they are also more aware of the ravages of sea

aware of the ravages of sea and air pollution and more willing to do something about it. The city has almost stopped sinking.

On the island of San Servola, Venice's former principal hospital now houses a school for advance craftsmen from all over Europe men from all over Europe who are taught not only the finer points of conservation but also to appreciate each other's crafts.

But the biggest threat remains: the sea. Studies have been made of the Thames barrier and there is now a plan to install gates which will enable the three lagoon mouths to be closed and prevent flooding. John Julius Norwich was cautious about this, not on technical grounds, but about the speed with which it will become a reality. In 1979, only a late change of wind prevented what threatened to be an even greater disaster than the 1966 floods; until Venice's occasional separa-tion from her historic bride is made practical, the city is

It was a fascinating Chronicle well produced by Ken Shepheard.

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Goodwill trickling down the drain

Pass the Butler

Starting with a good old family ding-dong in the stately home, Eric Idle leaves you to work out bit by bit that the metal casket bleeping away centre stage is a life-support system containing what remains of the head of the household — Britsin's Minister of Defence, no less, struck down by a heart attack in mid-debate and not released to competent medi-cal authorities until his vote had been cast.

The question now facing his loved ones is whether they should keep him ticking over for old time's sake, or pull the plugs while there is still some money in the bank. Strongly favouring the first course is a burier called Burier, loyally draping a birthday tie over the dripfeed of the master whose disconnexion will do him out of his tob Powerfully course. of his job. Powerfully oppos-ing it is the ne'er-do-well son of manying it is the man ing it is the man ing it is the man ing it is the man inheritance that will mop up his £50,000 overdraft. As these adversaries claim the talents of John Fortune and William Rushton, respectively pushing servile insoluted and landed arrogance and landed arrogance and landed arrogance well over the limits, Pass the Butler opens on a tide of modwill which it then goes and believed the show on any purposeful course.

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Python team it unsurprisingly sets out to do a hatchet job on West End comedies. However, internal evidence suggests that Mr Idle has not suggests that Mr Mie has not set foot in the territory since the heyday of Agarha Christie and William Douglas Home; added to which he seems unaware of the revenge which sturdy old theatrical forms take on the would-be parodist, either by efusing to come to life or by blowing up in his face.

inertia. Here is a stage full of country-home toybox fig-ures, shortly joined by a inspector and journalist each masquerading as the other, all ready to add their bit of fun to the plot. Mr Idle, however, decides to switch the plot off, thus

Peter Jones and Annie Lambert hugging the mannerisms in "Pass the Butler"

Display of cultural signals

Mime Festival

French Institute

Mime is about movement and most of the events at this year's very successful Mime Festival have accordingly had very little to say for them-selves. The main event, however, which too few people were able to see, consisted of equal parts of words and movement, a "lecture-demonstration" by Jacques Lecoq at the French Institute.

Mr Rushton is always fun to watch; but too many of For 25 years, M Lecoq has run an important school for mimes in Paris and, when-Jonathan Lynn's company — including Peter Jones, Madge Ryan and Annie Lambert ever influences are revealed by leaders of the present revival of mime and clowncome on hugging a couple of broad farce mannerisms as if they would vanish if they let ing, his name recurs. His presentation (in French but with Mme Fay Lecoq trying to keep up an English go. Perhaps Irving Wardle

translation) made most of its disciplines who have compoints through actions.

M. Lecco's powers of chatter in their first collabo-M Lecog's powers of

observation are enormous and his physical skills elo-quent. Demonstrating the basic mamperisms of walking, he elaborates the actions into historical statements and ndications of character. Gestures of different nationalities, which are in-stantly recognizable when he presents them, become un-derstandable cultural signals.

Combined with his elementary lessons in observation and his gradual elaboration of immation into the art of theatre are demonstrations of the use of the mask, histori-cally and as it relates to the body. His basic argument is that it is easier to lie with the face than with the body, but to the theatre in his theories. Two clowns of different

because they are being polite
to each other — they usually
work alone — but their show
is nearly twice as long as it
need be and the satisfying
moments are individual Double-Up!, now at the Place, is about a double act with partners who falsely portray Siamese twins in a

sideshow, all the while long-ing to lead separate careers. Miss Rae, the silent one (except that she sings), hopes to be a fat lady and Mr Harris (once a Lecoq student and devisor of the remarkable Kemp's Jig) wants to be an illusionist. They are a tal-ented and funny pair, but the show is padded with equal

Ned Chaillet

Paperbacks

True and farcical

This is the third of Robert Nye's informal trilogy about mythic personages. Falstaff and Merlin were its predecessors. You know your Nye: poet and joker, scholar and magus and rascal. His book is his customary juxtaposition of bitter and sweet, heroism and bawdy, religion and blasphemy, tragedy and dirty jokes. His Doctor Faustus is not content to live and die in Aristotle's works. Rabelais and others get in on the act. Faust is ravished by more than the Sweet Analytics. It is probably not a book for prim or puritanical aunts; though, come to think of it, it would do them good. It purports to be written by the sorcerer's apprentice, Kit

the sorcerer's apprentice, Kit Wagner, in the form of a journal in Low German. You know the language? Well, God won't be rubbing his hands. Why not? Because he hasn't got hands to rub. Look, God, no hands. Look, Hans, no God. That sort of Low German. Faust, and Kit, and Helen of Troy (whose face is the sort to launch something other than a thousand ships), and seven thousand ships), and seven beautiful and randy girls set off on pilgrimage to Rome. Maybe Faust is going to confess all his sins to the Pope and evade being claimed by the Devil. Maybe he is going to murder the Pope, and be rewarded by another 24 years in the sun by the same Devil. ration are Nola Rae and Chris Harris. Perhaps it is

Calvin, and much other more cloud of dust left in the air normal scatology and sex. when a great people went There are those who have galloping down the highroad found it all a bit much. As of history is how one usual I find Robert Nye irresistible: funny and sad, true and farcical, crude and land. A fragment, almost an is a deadly serious wild the shape of Europe, it has comedy of damnation. I wait impatiently for Nye's next, in one Quixotic eye on a brief turn from the biographies of mythical people to the mythmythical people to the myth-ology of historical people.

Philip Howard

The Long Day Wanes, by Anthony Burgess (Penguin,

It is a quarter of a century since Burgess fired off his first salvo with Time for a Tiger. That book, and its two successors, are now reissued under the title The Long Day Wanes (Penguia, £2.95), a surprising umbrella-title because Tennyson is the last man you would expect him to man you would expect him to

turn to for a quote.
It is appropriate, bearing in mind his strong musical bent, to describe these three loosey-linked novels as scherzoimperialism. Malaya is about to shrug off the British yoke and cast off into the characteristics. improvisations on the theme of the decline and fall-off of waters of independence. The thinks it is an island because waters of interpendence. The satraps, with only Chelten-ham in their sights, are weary, cynical and inclined to let things slide; the indigenous are wary

Faust, by Robert Nye (Pen-guin, £1.75) apprehensive and touchy because they know they are not in any valid sense indigenous at all but an ethnic amalgam much more jumbled than — if only they could have known — present day Southall, Middlesex.

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Burgess is not here - and has not ever been since much of a one for a plot. His brilliance and inventiveness expend themselves, probably more rewardingly, in other directions. Crabbe, the weary educationist, is the only-character to last through the three books and hold the whole thing together between listless finger and thumb.
Nobby Adams, the warrant
officer with the wholly
unslakeable thirst, the Kiplingesque pirate who Empire or no Empire, will stick around somewhere east of Suez till cirrhosis of the liver cries final halt, is the most memorable character; but right from opening to end Burgess provides abundant entertainment, tinged with

David Williams

Spain, by Jan Morris (Pen-guin, £1.75)

By her own admission, Jan Morris has always projected her vision of today into an evocation of yesterday. Noth-ing, then, could be more natural than her love affair une Devil.

En route they meet Luther, feeds upon the past "A century.

Just as its culture is a rich image of Iberian and Roman, Christian and Moorish—the Moors who crossed the straits in 711 stayed for 700 years—so is Spain a land of polarities, in its people as much as its landscapes; a land of sun and shade or sol land of sun and shade, or sol y sombra as they call the two halves of the bull-ring. Travelling from the Pyrenes, through the old cities of the interior to holy parades on the Malaga coast, Jan Morris unites all in prose as punion as the past it evokes. as the past it evol. Whether in a cafe, drink Montezuma's court, or bust-ling us over bridges and up cathedral steps, she is an infectious companion and a marvellous writer. Much more than another travel Don Quixote once said so.

> Nicholas Shakespeare

Concerts

Heath Wind Quintet in effect when the wind

Wigmore Hall

They owe their name to the south-east London Black, rather than the north-west Hampstead tract of land, where their members lead the appropriate sections in the local orchestra and wind band. For last year's Green-**Testival** missioned a new work from Michael Finnissy, his socalled seventh plano concerto (there is no cogent reason why such a work must be accompanied by orchestra). On Tuesday he and the Heath Wind Quintet brought it to Wigmore Street, together with other choice items for woodwind ensemble.

Finnissy's concerto, a onemovement work, is easentially a piano solo, fast, impressionistic and robust, which becomes less splashy

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instruments enter and bring the composer's invention more closely into focus, with melodic interest and less hectic drive.

As it happens, Mr Idle does have two good, strong turning points on which a robust intrigue could have been built. But, as most of his

energy goes into devising one-liners and battering on

about the joint idiocy of police, politicians, inbred aristocracy and prowling journalists, there is not much left over for such details as character or preparation of

The lion of the keyboard roars again, and frenzy is restored for a while, before the contest between the players moves them all into another field of action. The rapid, blurred passages do not induce confidence, let alone admiration, in a listener aquainted with the subtle art of a Ligeti or Penderecki during the 1960s.

It was reassuring to hear Mr Finnissy, after the interval, playing more tidily, even with some neo-romantic tenderness, in Poulenc's Sextet, though even here he could be heard straining at the leash until the music allowed him to play fast and aggressively

tet and Janáček's Mladi, native composer's achieve-

appear to be individually expert, but disinclined to play other than loud and every man for himself. The performances showed little regard for refinement of

William Mann

LPO/Barshai

Festival Hall

chestra on Tuesday. The conductor who founded the Moscow Chamber Orchestra,

ments by playing the Cantus in Memoriam Benjamin Britten by the Estonian composer I do not think this has been

heard here except at a Prom a few seasons ago, yet in its short, 10-minute span there is a work of glowing beauty and spontaneous feeling. Against a slow-tolling bell the full body of strings alone play a kind of continuous clearly textured fabric: a heartfelt lament, as if moving over a ground bass with a A vote of thanks is due to multiple division of the Rudolf Barshai, who made strings, and the effect is sad his first appearance with the yet somehow radiant, like a London Philharmonic Orthanksgiving.

A second debt to the conductor was the experience but who left the Soviet Union of hearing the Symphony No five years ago, first of all 10 by Shostakovich played discarded from his prowith such unerring sensigramme any and every hack-bility of the music's inward

man's constancy in a darkly threatening landscape of the spirit, Mr Barshai shaped the with a keen ear for instrumental balance, and particu-larly with a display of subtly shaded string playing that never faltered. Between these works there

eloquent testament of one

was relief from weightier matters in Mozart's A major Violin Concerto (K219) which brought a welcome return visit from the gifted Anne-Sophie Mutter, now aged 18 and in the process of becom-ing a thoughtful as well as stylish artist. She still invested the music with an ardently romantic character adorning it with the much later cadenzas of Joachim, but the expressive inflections were more clearly related to the music's formal intentions, and the orchestra gave her sensitive support.

Noël Goodwin

Cinema

Manila aiming for the stars

After a dummy run last year, the Manila Festival has this year launched itself in a bid to provide a major Asian film festival and to take its place as one of the big five international film one of the big rive international film events, alongside Cannes, Berlin, Venice and Moscow. In terms of finance, organization, glamour, spectacle and government support the newcomer is equipped to outdo the lot.

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Never, however, can a festival have come into being against a more determined opposition. Long before it began, those invited — film-makers, critics and jury — were energetically lobbied by a French group urging boycott on the grounds that the Marcos regime should in any event not be endorsed, on political grounds; that the festival is an unjustifiable strain on a national economy whose inequalities a national economy whose inequalities are already blatant; and that to hold an international festival while Philippino film-makers are inadequately promoted and subjected to rigorous censorship is

The boycott could be predicted to have slight effect beyond exacerbating irritations and tensions between film-makers and the regime; but it has succeeded in scaring off film-makers fearing commercially damaging re-prisals from French critics. Apart from Jeanne Moreau, however, all the jury
— led by Satyajir Ray and including
the Pole Krzysztof Zanussi, Zolt Kezdi-Kovacs from Hungary and Delbert Mann from the USA — turned up to see fair play in a competition that includes the newest Truffaut and Fassbinder films, as well as Gallipoli and The French Lieutenant's Woman. (Truffaut and Fassbinder are not here, but their agents are, to handle potential business.)

The festival has had its local hazards, too. The underground opposition have sent letters to all foreign embassies advising that bombs have been strategically planted in the New Festival Cinema and will be exploded before closing night in an assassination bid. The more careful embassies passed on the information to their nationals; if the British Embassy received the warning, however, they forbore to pass it on to their

delegation.
Our consolation for this neglect is that guests and jury are hospitably provided with armed personal body-



guards. At first the experience is disconcerting, after half a day it gets quite comforting, and I shall feel positively naked at the Odeon, Leicester Square, next week without a shadow and a .38 beside me: Bodyguards are also a help in choosing shirts. Such hazards, and the omnipresence

of armed security men, are not permitted to impair the determined glamour and gaiety of the event. The shows take place in a vast new building — an Albert Speer-style acropolis — that dominates the skyline and is so new that it was not there last week. Conceived in August, its construction was delayed by a typhoon, two small earthquakes and a serious accident which gave bad publicity to the festival and useful fuel for the boycott. At 5 pm on the day of the opening it was still a windowless concrete shell surrounded by acres of building site, but, with 10,000 workmen (not to speak of security men in mufti) covering it like flies, by the time the presidential party turned up for the opening at 7.30 the place was carpeted, seated, chand-eliered and fully operative. Where the building site had been were flourishing gardens with 30-foot fountains.

This kind of Pharonic miracle is wholly due to the redoubtable Mrs Marcos, whose energy and aura are admitted even by her bitterest op-ponents. She is in her early fifties, but time would not have the temerity to

touch her. Very tall, she is striking even in a country of spectacularly beautiful women. She is never known by any other style than "the First-Lady", which indicates the difficulty of defining her special, super-regal status beside President Ferdinand Marcos. The cultural, social and much of the

The cultural, social and much of the economic life of the country centres upon her, and she is as likely to think up and realize a hospital, this film festival or a new seaside resort as to throw a sudden banquet at the presidential palace. These dinner parties generally end with the favoured few being whisked off to the palace disco to have their legs danced off until two or three in the morning—not much later, though, because the First Lady breakfasts at 5 am. At a palace banquet, or even in a respalace banquet, or even in a res-taurant, she will leave her table to join the orchestra in entertaining her guests with love songs performed in a fine, operetta-style soprano. "It is not just a voice" murmur her worshipping entourage. "It is ten million votes".

In some respects the First Lady's festival may well prove a much better investment than her critics predicted. American moguls (the guest of honour is Jack Valenti, President of the Motion Picture Association of America) are inevitably and totally mesmerized by the palace glamour; and Manila's boast that the festival will be "the gateway between East and West" "the gateway between East and West" looks like being justified. A good deal of marketing and trading is in the offing, while millions of dollars' worth of American production stands to be lured to the rich and ready locations the Philippines can offer.

In another respect, though, the festival has still to counter the criticism that it pays far too little attention to the prolific Philippine film industry. The Philippine entry was withdrawn from competition at the last moment because the hosts politely felt its presence could embarrass the jury. Even apart from this, however, there is no special promotion of Philippine films, though other aspects of the national culture are enthusiastically fostered; nor as yet has there been any effort to provide contacts between the guests and local film artists.

David Robinson

Opera

The Queen of Golconda

Nottingham University Nottingham

To treat such a tale in a mid-nineteenth-century idiom was to risk building in a contra-diction: one is not always sure, for example, when his villians are meant to be comical and when serious, and his style is constantly too weighty to marry with the text's gentle frivolity.

Yet the music is a constant source of pleasure and fasci-nation. There is a noble central scene for the baritone hero, an extended monologue of a flexible, very French kind, and it is succeeded by a duet with broad lines, original ideas and a brilliant burst of colour at the end. The music for the Queen herself, composed (in vain) for Christine Nelsson, has much high coloratura, and and individual hint of elegance. There is a rousing Conspirators' chorus to end Act I; earlier their chief has made it clear that he is about as dangerous as a Ruddegore bad bart. There is a magnifi-cent opening to the last act, bold and grand, with long lines and dramatic modulations, to fit the prevailing tragic situation; except that we cannot believe in the reality of the tragedy — nor are we meant to - so the

gesture is essentially empty. And that typifies Berwald's failure, for all the variety of colour, the melodic appeal and especially the harmonic richness of his score to provide a workable relationthip between music and

drama. The performance excelled University Opera Group kave a proud anything I have seen at record in exploring the by- Nottingham before. An ways of nineteenth-century undergraduate conductor, opera; they have revived James Holmes, did wonders. numerous pieces over the last with the orchestra and kept two decades that once used the score moving splendidly. to fill the theatres of Europe. Heather Higton's design Their latest revival is of a imaginatively supplemented work that did not reach the the raked stage with angled Franz Berwald's last opera fully lit. Michael Hunt diswas written in the mid-1860s, posed his cast purposefully but had its premiere in and attractively and had them was written in the mid-1860s, posed his cast purposetally but had its premiere in and attractively and had them Stockholm, only in 1968, on the centenary of his death.

Berwald was aware of what was going on in Europe in in style, skill and musicanthe 1860s, but did not much ship, but the Queen approve of it. For his Queen Bronwen Mills, if at first of Golcanda he chose a plot a century old, which served plenty of brilliant, silvery nicely for an eighteenth-century opens comings with all singers to mention, but the tury opera comique with all singers to mention, but the that implies in terms of standard was admirable. So convention and artificiality. Was the choral singing. To treat such a tale in a midning teenth-century idion. sity production. Stanley Sadie



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posed by the current re-surgence of the Campaign for

that it will cause this country (or, for that matter, any other) unilaterally to aban-don its nuclear weapons. No government, present or fore-seeable, is likely to behave in such a quixotic manner; international security is too complicated a matter to be instant protest. What is more likely is that the shrill and generally uninformed clam-our of the "peace move-ments" will submerge and ultimately silence the voices of those who are seriously concerned with disarmament. Aiready anyone who casts doubt upon the methods or the motives of the unilateralists is likely to be pilloried as a hawk or cold warrior who can hardly wait to get his hands on a few megaton warheads and "destroy mankind several times over", to borrow the confused newspeak typical of the protest industry. This conveniently obscures the fact that many who criticize CND

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Professor Collins, whose vast literary output on the subject of Boz has turned him into

spectacularly wrong about Charles Dickens. His verdict,

based on an anything but

passing acquaintance with Victorian England's best-

loved author, was that "Dickens saved himself for

his books, there was nothing to be learned in private — he

These two volumes of

observations, culled from the recollections of men and

women who either knew Dickens or watched him at

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Anti-nuclear photomontage by Peter Kennard

is reflected in the anti-Ameriis reflected in the anti-American, anti-capitalist, anti-NATO flavour of much of the propagands of CND. This insidious moral asymmetry is vividly exemplified in a new book by Mary Kaldor, a stern critic of western defence policies who now turns her attention from nuclear weaattention from nuclear weapons to other forms of advanced military tech-nology, whimsically de-scribed as "baroque" weapons. The message, however, is much the same. Modern armaments, we are instructed that many who criticize CND in the painful jargon of the and its allied groups of social scientist, are exclusively a product of the work of the many who criticize CND in the painful jargon of the social scientist, are exclusively a product of the military-industrial complexes of the United States and her allies; the "conservative" ed they would make genuine allies; the "conservative" disarmament much more Soviet Union has been forced

difficult to achieve and war to follow suit. Some idea of much more likely to occur.

A more immediate danger tivity of the research which has gone into this tired farrago may be deduced from Miss Kaldor's acknowledgement to the shop stewards at Vickers-Elswick "whose experiences inspired many of

the ideas in this book". A more ambitious undertaking altogether is that of Peter Pringle and James Spigelman, who have set out to cover "the full story of atomic energy policy in every country that has gone nuclear". The publishers' promise of "cool objectivity" is somewhat at odds both with somewhat at odds both with the title of the book and its sub-title — "The inside story of how they created our nuclear nightnare". The conclusions of the authors include the proposition that the concept of nuclear deter-

Their Noble

hack casting around for an idea for a book hits upon the jolly-sounding notion of a contemporary survey of the hereditary peerage. It all seems good clean fum—

interviews with publicity-minded peers (perhaps the odd lunch?), a round-up of a few black sheep, acres of figures about landownership, analyses of titles a Gilbertian

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and some sort of "spirit of the age" conclusion. Mix in plenty of cliches about feudalism, footmen and fore-

ock-tugging, some heraldic

solecisms, a deal of inverted snobbery and there you have it. The trouble is that these

ludicrously bed books written by people blissfully unencumbered with the sligh-

test knowledge of the subject

often sell quite nicely and,

what is more, they are self-perpetuating. Each of them

tends to repeat the same old

mistakes, to miss point after point and to parade the same

The latest to try his hand at this type of book is Simon Winchester, a drippingly wet liberal who made his name on

The Guardian by sucking up to the IRA and sneering at

Solzhenitsyn (remember Bernard Levin's crushing reply?). His first effort, printed three years ago, fell foul of numerous lordly lawyers and had to be

withdrawn when already under starter's orders. Some

of the problems were caused by the effects of the Re-habilitation of Offenders Act,

though in this revised edition Mr Winchester has gone as near as makes no difference

Lordships

Wet among the Peers

link to nuclear proliferation, nuclear power carries dang-ers of a magnitude that we ought not to accept". No clear idea emerges as to the provision of alternatives in

either case. It is a relief to turn to an analysis by someone who has been deeply and closely concerned for many years with problems of this kind and whose intellectual distinction is self-evident. Lord Zuckerman has identified some of the crucial elements in the generally confused arguments about nuclear weapons and deterrence. He argues convincingly, as he has been doing for 20 years or more, that the concept of "limited" or "tactical" nuclear war is a grotesque aberration; that both sides in the nuclear environmental. the nuclear confrontation already have more than enough nuclear weapons for the needs of security; and that arms limitation is an example of the needs of security; and that arms limitation is an example. essential ingredient of future survival. He proposes the eventual abandonment of research and development on nuclear weapons; but "there are powerful reasons why Britain should not esponse

Britain should not esponse the cause of unilateral disarmament."

Lord Zuckerman's book expounds the classic case for multilateral arms courrol and disarmament with authority and humanity. It leaves in the mind two ironic reflections. One is that the three former Prima Ministers who extole the virtues of the author on the dust-cover might have done better to listen to him more closely when they were in office; and the other is that, although Lord Zuckerman has effectively demolished their case, the unilateralists will continue assiduously to quote him, out of context, in support of their context, in support of their

Alun Chalfont

Marquess who was a guest of His Late Majesty for three

years. Apart from the cuts imposed by the lawyers, one wonders how much real revision has been undertaken

by the author; the book is frequently out of date. The learned Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk has clearly had a

hand in the overhaul; many of the pithy footnotes can be

confidently attributed to this

colourful scholar. In fact some of them flatly contra-dict what is stated in the text

above which makes for a rum

this second attempt is an improvement on his first -

as far as I can recall the

"suppressed" version con-tained about one, mistake a

page, this time the average is

nearer one every two-and-a-half pages. As he has regaled us with so many meaningless

statistics I offer these by way of exchange: from a total of

some 259 pages of actual text

(as opposed to absurd maps, corny or pointless epigraphs,

etc.), I counted very nearly

100 errors ranging from really whopping howiers to mere misspellings of names.

This is surely unacceptable for any book with even half a

claim to be taken seriously. To my surprise Mr Win-chester acknowledges me as

being "particularly helpful" in his preface, though I don't recall doing more than giving him permission to quote from Burke's editorials. I was

from Burke's equivilent aback also somewhat taken aback by Mr Winchester's description of your reviewer as

tions of your reviewer as "financially harassed" and as a "caryatid" (female figure)

actionable, perhaps?

To be fair to Mr Winchester

read.

Down among the Beaver

rence is "truly insane, a manifestation of intellectual barbarism"; and the suggestion that "even without the Columbia Frontier By Hugh Brody

> I must have flown over Hugh Brody's territory once, when I was anxious to reach Dawson City before winter locked it in. Down below, his Beaver Indians would have been withdrawing from their traplines to begin a holiday season during the snowbond months. That has been a pattern of their tribe since long before the white men came to the sub-Arctic of British Columbia; and if enough people pay attention to Mr Brody's book the Beaver may be allowed to continue in their ancient ways—in spite of the Alaska Highway natural gas pipeline, which threatens their continue and economy more completely than even the combined assaults of fur traders, bootleggers and "sporting" hunters have

Mr Brody taught social philosophy before becoming hooked on the Canadian North, and in 1978 he dropped anchor among the

for that because this unusualerty line, and their attaching constructed but fascinatement to the skills and othering book is a result. Its 16 ways of their past. chapters alternate between a chapters alternate between a socal scientist's report (an uncommonly well written one, I may say) and an extended description of Mr Brody's own experiences among the Beaver, executed with the touch of a novelist manqué. The scientific chapters include a large number of clear maps and diagrams which illustrate hunting habits. berry-picking areas, habits, berry-picking areas, Indian camping sites and so forth. The whole fits together with the felicity of that damned cube.
It is a hunting economy that has enabled the Beaver to survive — and there are more of them now than there

arrived. There are rainbow trout and Dolly Vardens to be taken from the rivers; moose, elk, caribou and deer to be shot on the forested land. There is no wanton killing, just as much as is needed for the pot (but on the Halfway Reserve, white "sportsmen" shoot four times as many moose in two months as the local Indians take in one year). The Beaver are despised for this way of life, as well as for the fact that they can get hopelessly drunk on liquor that white men have liquor that white men have have to tell them, though, profitably got them addicted that they've missed a minor to when they have time on classic here. I hope it brings their hands. Yet the most striking thing about Mr house Brody's account is the dig-nity of these people living untidily just above the poy-

They can tell whether they urine has hit the snow. They lay a calf's foctus to rest with tender ceremony because incipient life is to be cher-ished for its own sake. Clock time is of no significance to them, only the seasons of the year. They live partly at a mystical level that West-erners hardly ever touch. It includes hunting in a pattern you foresaw in a dream the you foresaw in a dream the night before; and making maps out of dreams that show the way to heaven, inscribed on moosehide with thousands of coloured marks. We may well ask ourselves whether all this should be sacrificed in the interests of an alien energy policy for short-term gain. were when the European policy for short-term gain. The Beaver have no particular wish to coddle themselves

I'd guess that Maps and Dreams was offered to some of the bigger British pub-lishers and was turned down in due course. As most of them these days don't know whether they're on their hypes or their remainders, this wouldn't surprise me. I prosperity to the smaller house that recognized its

Geoffrey Moorhouse

cards

The Complete Catalogue of British Cigarette Cards

Compiled by The London Cigarette Card Company (Webb & Bower, £12.50)

Once cadged eagerly by small boys ("got any fagcards, mister?"), cigarette cards have become a serious and often expensive business. Some sets from before the First World War are fetching £1,000 and more and last year a single card, thought to be the earliest issued in Britain, was auctioned for £510. Collecting has got so keen that in the last five years prices have risen on average by 140 per cent, with crick-eters and film stars in

particular demand. Why rational should otherwise human beings be prepared to pay such extraordinary sums for little pieces of coloured cardboard? The answer, surely, is a combination of scarcity and nostalgia. Since they were stopped in 1940 by the wartime paper shortage, very few cards have appeared in cigarette packets and the field has been largely aban-doned to the confectionery and tea companies. It seems unlikely there will be cigaunlikely there will be cigarette cards on any serious scale again, certainly nothing to match the 600 million sets of "Railway Engines" which Wills printed in 1936. The appeal of the cards is not hard to understand: they are attractive to look at, frequently informative, and they quently informative, and they faithfully reflect the social history of their age, whether depicting wars, coronations or such rich anachronisms as "Military Uniforms of the British Empire Overseas".

Looking through my heavily annotated copy of Their Noble Lordships, I see that my marginal comments This handsomely produced catalogue lists every known set of cards issued since 1888, grouped by manufacturer and with current pricstart by being pedantic, then become incredulous, angry and, I fear, obscene. Long before the end I was reduced, es. There is a brief history of the subject and hints on collecting cards and storing them. Above all, the cards Evelyn Waugh, to just scrib-bling No, No, No, No... themselves, more than 600 of them, are illustrated in their full, coloured splendour.

Peter Waymark



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the authors are Jews or Christians, though a handful of Moslem or Arabic extracts are included, not particularly interesting ones and their function perhaps more to give an impression of comprehensiveness, like having a trade unionist in the board room (and a number of minor with Jerusalem as the sole theme a thousand anthologies could be compiled without

the final of his ten chapters Mr Grindes joins the noble army of visionaries: "It may yet dawn upon the lazy consciences of clumsy politheologians that the true meaning of the Holy City . . . is the assertion of the fundamental unity of the spirit." Perhaps Graham Greene is nearer the mark when he writes: "Jerusalem's existence will always seem temporary and precarious as if she stood in the eye of a cyclone." But on the whole Mr Grindea avoids the polimr Grindea avoids the politics of the jarring sects, though some may think he carries discretion too far when he speaks of the city having in the last few years received "the seal of modernity, energy and modernity, energy and optimism." Is this the way to optimism." Is this the way to describe the terrible high-rise structures which for strategic reasons now ring Jerusalem, as menacing as the endrcling armies of Nebuchadnezzar or Titus?

If I forget

The Holy City in Literature Edited by Miron Grindea (Kahn & Averill, £7.50) Mr Grindea has compiled an anthology of literary references to Jerusalem from the time of David and Solomon to the present day. Almost all

any duplication. The choice must be personal, and it would be absurd to complain of favourites omitted. Mr Grindea has cast his net happily wide, taking in de-scriptions by visitors to the real city, and dreams from afar of a celestial one. Chesterton rubs shoulders with Langland, Willibald with Wesley, Koestler with Maimonides, and there are many unknowns we should be grateful for being introduced to duced to:
In the introductory note to

E.C. Hodgkin

Science fiction

A Better Mantrap By Bob Shaw

(Gollancz, £6.95) There are certain names in SF that come round again and again like a revolving door. And, by now, you'd expect such whitz-kids to be fairly conventional in their circling. Not so. Such is their impetus from the genre that, although they're rarely loosed from its moorings, they're still always disposed to a certain amount of revolution. Mr Shaw is one of

His clutch of stories, while always being tethered to vivid and credible characterization, yet manages to do all kinds of things with SF. In "Dream Fighter" he's reworking the idea of the best boxing movie ever made, "The Set-Up" but via an aging pugilist-psychic vihose speciality is creating nightmares for others. In "Frost Animals" the detective story becomes the takeood one where help but feel at off point for a suspect away on a space exploration, pursuing the real killer 18 years after the crime. "The

Cottage Of Eternity" is a mad-scientist yarn which posits an entirely feasible view of why there may be ghosts (what might be called past particles!). I once wrote here that the short story was alive and well and living in science fiction. Mr Shaw's new collection convinces me even more of that fact. I would have thought they were also marvellous ways in to SF for those who are tempted but have never tried: they book you on to the circuit. And from there you can fly off in all kinds of directions. . . .

Brave Old World, by Philippe Curval (Allison and Busby, £6.95). In the 21st century, the Common Market, now known as Marcom, is repel-ling all boarders with impenetrable borders and an atmosphere to prolong active life: time does not have a stop but is certainly in slow-motion.

Into this timescape goes the agent Belgacen Attia, to rescue a dream priest and his own son. M. Curval is claimed as one of the New Wave. This translation by Steve Cox reveals him as elaborate, gaudy and weirdly precise, like the surrealist Noel Delvaux: a disquieting

Mardoc, by Ronald A. McQueen (Hale, £6.25). As an ultimate weapon Mardoc android or man? - would seem to have more morality than the human beings upon whom he has been unwit tingly unleashed. Pell-mell narrative leading to nervily ambiguous climax.

novellas from 1965.

(Sidgwick and Jackson, £8.95). Don't be put off by the dour uniformity of jacket for this slabby series; firstrate stuff between the covers, in this case, "Titan" by John Varley and "Tin Woodman" by Dennis R. Bailey and David F. Bischoff.

Bring Back Yesterday, by A. Bertram Chandler (Allison and Busby, £5.95). Adventurer Petersen is caught up in his own time-cycle while trying to save human history. Another Rimworld narrative; to the edge of which all good

Science Fiction Hall Of Fame, Volume 4, edited by Arthur C. Clarke (Gollancz, £8.95). Great value for the money, containing as it does the complete Nebula Awards, short stories, novelettes and

hard-core science fictioneers

will want to go. -Tom Hutchinson

Because it's there is not a sufficient reason for most of us. I can see that there is peace and beauty and silence and absence of telephones in the highest places on earth. But you can find all of them without vertigo and frostbite.

Lonely

impulse

High Ambition

By Ronald Faux

(Gollancz, £9.95)

A Biography of Reinhold Messner

Dante got it right when he made the deepest hole in the Inferno not hot but cold, cold as Hell. Messner is the Austrian nutter who climbs mountains the hard way. He chooses the most difficult routes. He trots up Everest without oxygen because such artificial aids would lower the mountain. The essence of his climbing style is speed, because at such high alti-tudes brain deterioration begins. Uh-huh, say most of

Readers of The Times will know Ronnie Faux as a fine reporter with a taste for outdoor activities. He went up Everest for us, and was only dissuaded from having a go at the summit by the need to file copy. He has moun-taineer's hands, like bunches of bananas, which should be squeezed with caution. His book captures for plainlub-bers something of the excite-ment of high places, oc-casionally losing us in moun-taineer's metaphysics: "The core of his mind felt numbed,

but his body reached out for that ultimate point."

It does not satisfactorily explain why. Climbing has become for Messuer an act of introspection, of watching, almost dispassionately, how he himself reacts to the extreme circumstances into extreme circumstances into which mountaineering puts him. Messner's own book, K2 Mountain of Mountains (Kaye & Ward, £12.50), which he went up without any of that cissy oxygen again, throws some light on the megalomania and personality conflict up the big mountains. Messner writes that he feit let down by one member of his team on a personal level, by another as a climber. Most of the text is Sendro Gogan's diary. What we need is some mountaineer of the human spirit like Graham Greene to explain the lonely impulse of excel-sior that drives men to the highest places on earth. But then, of course, the highest mountains are not physical ones. But for Icarus' sake don't tell Reinhold Messner

Ancient of faces George Richmond By Raymond Lister

(Robin Garton, £35) It is surprising that until now no proper biography of George Richmond has appeared, since he was one of the best as well as one of the most prolific nineteenth century British portrait painters. His original works and the prints from them are familiar to many who would be hard put to name the artist. However, he was far more than a mere Winterhalter, a recorder of public faces, his sitters are alive; and more too than a sensitive portral-tist, since his early association with Blake influenced his thinking for much of his long life.

As a young man, Rich-mond, together with Palmer, Calvert and a small group of like-minded friends, formed "The Ancients" who gath-ered at Shoreham as disciples of Blake. Despite his later worldly success — on one occasion in the 1870s he was paid one thousand guineas for a portrait — Richmond never lost touch with these early friends, and the Ancients continued to hold monthly sketching evenings well into middle-age.

Almost everyone of power and influence in Victorian England sat to him, with the exception of the Queen herself, who may have resented his refusal to record Prince Albert on his deathbed. His own influence on the artistic thinking of the time was also marked.

Raymond Lister, a fellow of Wolfson College, Cam-bridge, and a noted Blake scholar, shows Richmond to have been a most sympathetic man as well as a considerable artist. At times a formidable Victorian paterfamilias, his sternness was leavened by a strong sense of humour, and to the end of his life he celebrated the anniversary of his elopement to Gretna Science Fiction Special 42 Green with the sister of a fellow Ancient.

Huon Mallalieu

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ject to any humours, or changes or caprices." It was, of course, precisely because he was guilty of all these hundred others, that Dickens was the most mecurial pri-vate and public figure of his

if Dickens's acquaintances cannot even agree about the of bread and meat. colour of his eyes (variously described as black, warm **Fiction**

The Great Fire of London By Peter Ackroyd (Hamish Hamilton, £7.95)

The Woods By David Plante

(Gollancz, £7.95) "To think that you could just take Dickens and bundle him into the twentieth century. We don't live in the same world." Peter Ackroyd, citi-zen of no mean city, has written no mean first novel. written no mean first novel. best, like Sam Weller's knowHe is determined to drive us ledge of London, is extensive back to Dickens; and he does and peculiar: the poor and Skilfully, in a story shot the unloved; "banks of contracts to obsessive awarestrates that you can take a child tries to spur silent

Dickens anywhere. The vortex, in his whirling cyclorama, is Spenser Spender's movie project, Little Dorrit. Short, cinematic chap-ters cut back and forth across a vivid collection of Londoners: Audrey, Tim,

pect. Bur, the clever thing about Professor Collins's editorship of these reminiscences is that he gives us eye-witness accounts of a man who is constantly evolving, from writer to writer/actor, from national idol to inservational celebrity from idea for a book here. something of a one-man actor, from national idol to Dickens industry, has filled international celebrity, from 137 pages with striking young dandy ("a rather evidence that, however right Longfellow might have been lery on his vest and on his fingers") to autumnal and wifeless squire of Gad's Hill ("worn by slowly rolling years, pale fragile and stoop-

grey, light blue, and green hazel), their testimony in other respects must be suslight blue, and green

No single figure rises, then, when we ask after reading these two volumes:
"Will the real Charles
Dickens please stand up." There is an infinity of them.

Dip into Professor Collins's two volumes where you will find some fascinating or half-forgotten titbit about Dickens beckons to be savoured. We are assured that he changed his collars several times a day; combed his hair a hundred times a cated to the proposition enunciated by Dickens's biographer John Forster: "His literary work was so intensely one with his nature day; was an insatiable cigarette smoker; and remem-bered points in his public as spokes in a wheel which he would remove one by one until nothing remained but the rim, and nothing more remained to be said.

point and to parade the same dreary prejudices to the extent that to disabuse readers of all this drivel becomes well-nigh impossible. produced no fewer than 72 chapters, we have to accept with as good a grace as possible a great deal of reiterated and sweeping flat-

And there is a privy counsellor, unctuously advising Queen Victoria that when she met Dickens — "he, too, has the most anxious desire to raise what we call 'the lower classes' "— she might consider treating "this really eminent man" as a guest and not merely as a reader, and that she might ask his advice about which of his books she should read next — perhaps Copperfield? In the event, when Dickens visited Buckingham Palace, the

It could also be argued that topics discussed were the Dickens's acquaintances servant question and the cost Peter Davalle to naming one particular

ful carelessness, applied by

Londoners to Londoners. But

sexual lecturer at a Cambridge "resembling a film set which had been left standing for too long"; Little Arthur, dwarf proprietor of Fun City's pinball machines, grotesque only in degree of desperation. By chance or instinct, each spinning in private, joyless obsession, they gravitate ever closer to Little Dorrit; some to disas-Mr Ackroyd is not the best English novelist yet to cap-ture London's deranging disappointments; its posturing, cheap bravura; its dread-

his understanding of the best, like Sam Weller's knowpages of muted, scrupulous - the quick and the dead - A properly dramatic climax is man, the world itself can be tualist medium answers the telephone: "You have to Marine Corps, teach him that realise, my dear, that I can't for all his struggle to see, work miracles. Not even for through the body, to the

Lactitia Spender, Andrew, my regulars." Here's rich-soul, the body has promises to keep. It has to work; be sexual lecturer at a Cam-Now and again a novelist drafted; be sent out to war,

Hugh

gives infinite riches in a little and die. room. The Woods is David Plante's eighth book: a third interior landscape scrutinized with extraordinary intensity by Daniel Francoeur; a young man with miles to go before he sleeps. We have met him before, in The Family and The Country. The Woods, through which we go back to Daniel at 18, is also set in New England. There is almost no plot; only time, and space. Perfectly written, in tones as hushed as the snow which is Mr Plante's characteristic image of silence and separation, it lacks for nothing in 120

Skilfully, in a story shot the unloved; "banks of contracts to obsessive aware-through with pity, menace, television sets in windows, and recognition that all of us each with the same image." upon the body for a young and recognition that all of us are implicated in each other's scarcely needed. In the time- body: his own, a girl's; a dark lives, Mr Ackroyd demon- capsule of a bus journey, a planet he longs to know, but child tries to spur silent wants to keep inviolate, parents into conversation and Daniel's relationships with contact: "Mummy, are there always flowers after winter?" his college roommate, with a girl spending the summer by always flowers after winter?" girl spending the summer by In Ealing Common a spiri- the same bright lake, and

The Woods is lovely, dark,

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and deep. In natural, powerful metaphors it reflects and contrasts our longing for a different world with the fact that we must live and die in this one. Days of Greatness, by Walter Kempowski (Secker & Warburg, £7.95): Leila Venne-

witz translates this large, exuberant novel - at once a mosaic of affluent North Germany between 1900 and 1918, and a personal chronicle. Walter Kempowski's forbears were shipping magnates and factory owners in Rostock and Hamburg. His book, part of a cycle of novels published to praise at home, dovetails a merchantprince and princess romance into jostling, opulently detailed scenes of family, social, and business life before and during the first nightmare of dugouts and

defeat.
An English aunt, arriving in 1903 as a young bride, finds "an old-fashioned world but a good one where one could not help but feel at

- out of work and out of the statistics

by Frank Field MP

constituency appear distime. time. tinctly schizophrenic when On the other hand there asked about their joblessness. A quiet anger is official figures significantly combined with a private grief under-represent the true and guilt. Although Mrs level of unemployment. This Thatcher emphasizes that week's figures put the jobunemployment is the price less total at 3,070,600. But the unemployment is the price we pay in our fight against Department of Employment inflation, many feel their unemployment is partly the result of their own inadequacies. The Poor Law tradition, in which poverty and unemployment were signs of moral failing, still stalks the country. It is this irrational feeling of personal guilt which helps to explain guilt which helps to explain why unemployment can rise so high and so fast and for there to be almost no extraparliamentary threat.

But there can be little

doubt that unemployment is borne as a private grief. One of my young constituents — now in work — described the of my young constituents — Government surveys show assertion that people have now in work — described the there is an even larger been conscripted into the cycle of events which is number of claimants who are army of the unemployed in common to many unem-ployed people. At first it was a bit of a lark; fun not to have to go to work. But that did not last long, particularly as he felt he was getting under his mother's feet "and there's a limit to the amount of decorating you can do". Any job was taken, no matter how short the duration, or how low the pay, providing it got him out of the house.

I asked what was the worst thing about being unemployed. "It's when you come back from another interview after being turned down yet again. You feel such a failure. Often I cried".

One of the questions which has featured in the Commons this week is how accurately the official figures reflect the true level of unemployment. Some people maintain that are claimants who, although registered for work, would be unwilling to take a job if one was offered to them. It is difficult to quantify how many unemployed claimants are in this position, and the only true to work is to offer him a job.

Because of the increasing

number of rape cases, and

public anxiety about the way

discuss the law on rape with Dame Rose Heilbron, the

the Prime Minister is

is now without a job. insurance card, are registing is below the TUC's Throughout Question Time ered as unemployed even that day the Prime Minister though they have no intent that for each six people exchanged blows with the tion of taking a job. The registered as unemployed Opposition but somehow the Government estimates that a there is a seventh person who House failed to catch the minimum of 20.000 people is jobless and is seeking House failed to catch the minimum of 20,000 people is jobless and is seeking mood in the country. Today are in this group. And it work. In addition, 550,000 the Commons has another would be surprising if there chance to speak as the nation were not some unemployed in the dole queue by one or feels.

Many unemployed in my while working at the same employment and training the surprising of the covernment's employment and training the surprising the same employment and training the surprising the same employment and training the surprising the same employment and training the surprising the surprising

sheltered employment

Officially this group of to consider as well how to 100,000 unemployed is invisible for purposes of the Department's count.

It that is so, it is a property to consider as well how to to consider as well have to consider a Government surveys show

number of claimants who are actively seeking work but are order to wage the battle order to wage the battle against inflation, it is crucial ployed. The main reason is that we treat unemployed that they are not entitled to National insurance benefit and are often ineligible for at present. supplementary benefit. If jobs are scarce, many unem-ployed claimants feel there is ployment benefit lasts for up

are being revised. Already supplementary benefit rate the Government has brought for a married couple is 25 per claim the higher supplementary benefit rate providing they take their names off the been anger well spent if a unemployment register. So general agreement is formed for 21,000 claimants have on the need to spread the opted for this.

These unregistered unemployed claimants totalled 330,000 in 1979 and the provisional estimates for 1980 suggest a similar number. Overall, therefore, the number of unemployed who do statistics is almost half a

Tuesday's unemployment Then there are those who million — putting the true figures showed that a record have retired early and, to level of unemployment at one in eight of the workforce gain credits on their national around 3½ million. This

Part of this week's Com-mons debate has concerned itself with what policies are likely to increase the num-bers in work. Mrs Thatcher week's figures put the jobles less total at 3,070,600. But the Department of Employment accepts that four groups of claimants are excluded from the unemployment count.

These are:

Adult students 10,401
Temporarily stopped 31,705
Non-claimants seeking part-time work 45,696
Disabled unemployed seek-Non-claimants seeking take to regain full employ-part-time work 45,696 ment. More and more it looks
 Disabled unemployed seek-like a programme for two

If that is so, it is important

National Insurance unemployed claimants reel there is to 12 months and is paid at a little point in registering. to 12 months and is paid at Some are very poor — at the much lower level than most last count in 1977 150,000 had other insurance rates. Similarly, unemployed claimants held with poverty larly, unemployed claimants are supplementary The rules requiring claim-benefit never qualify for the ants to register for work higher rate of supplementary before they can claim benefit, benefit, and the long-term one reform whereby cent above the ordinary rate.

mployed men over 60 can If this week's outrage leads

> to nothing else it will have cost of unemployment more fairly. A better deal for unemployed claimants will mean that those of us lucky enough to be in work will have to foot the bill.



Poland: back to the rubber stamp

Roger Boyes reports from the Warsaw Parliament

Statistics have become a substitute for facts since martial law was imposed in Poland, so it was no surprise to hear that two days of debate in the Seim (Parliament) had produced more than half a million words, and no surprise. either that someone was counting.

Probably the most telling, the most damning of these words came late on Monday night when a flushed deputy stood up and shouted at the liberal-minded Karol Malcuzynski. "How dare you lecture our leader! What gives you the right to criticize him?"

Slavish loyalty is back in fashion in the Sejm: Out of 460 deputies only five abstained and one voted against the martial law decrees this week — even though military rule had been proclaimed, unconstitutionally, without Seim approval.

Talk to one of the deputies in the Communist Party faction (51 per cent of the chamber), a member of the reconstituted Roman Catholic Pax faction, or one from the "satellite" parties, the Democratic and Peasants parties, and one receives the same bland stare: nothing has changed under martial law, we are still the vital, criticial organ that we were seven

Talk to one of the five abstainers and the impression is different: they are mourning for a lost opportunity. the loss of a chamber that could have channelled public discontent to the Government, playing a moderating role, interpreting the Government to the people and modifying Polithuro initiatives.

That role, though it sounds hope-lessly ambitious to other East Euro-peans brought up on the fact that the Polithuro makes decisions and Parlia-

ment ratifles them without demur, was achieved in the Poland of Solidarity. Slowly, Poles who had lost faith in the party, their bureaucrats, shop-keepers and their currency were beginning to believe in the Seim. Though dominated by members of the Communist Party and though clearly not democratic in a western sense—no free elections—ir had developed democratic instincts, setting strictly defined limits on the power of the

Now, under martial law, the party has little power to limit and it is difficult to see how the Sejm can be anything more than a polite, uncritical legitimiser of policies shaped by the military council.

Yet the old critical Seim could be of greater service to the military leadership. The better to learn of resistance to autocratic legislation in Parliament, where deputies have immunity from prosecution, than wait for that resistance to spill over in the streets.

In the six months before martial la was imposed, the Sejm had changed was imposed, the Sejin hat Changes the focus of proposed legislation, deleted what it saw as repressive clauses and actively spoke out in favour of solidarity, or at least its moderate faction. Yet when Mr Malcusynski, who is not affiliated to any party, spoke of the nonsense of pretending that there was now "public consultation" over food prices - there

is no way of consulting anybody as all unions are suspended — he was greeted with hoots of derision.

Solidarity was mentioned only in combination with the words "extremist" and "anarchist". The Sejm's collective memory appeared to have been wiped clean in the past/weeks of suspension;

The Military Council partly blamed Parliament for having to impose martial law in the first place. The Government, said General Jaruzelski, had repeatedly called for an emergency powers bill that would, if necessary, suspend the right to strike. But Sejm deputies, in sympathy with Solidarity's aims, had said there was no room in the legislative programme for such a bill or had tried to temper it.

The relative independence of the sejm — which in theory (that is, constitutionally) has wide-ranging powers — was rooted in two main factors. First, under the leadership of Mr Edward Gierek, the potential independence of the chamber was

misjudged.
"He thought we were sheep," a Pax deputy said. "But in fact we were simply humans in sheepskin coats." At the first meeting after the toppling of Mr Gierak these deputies showed their independence by passing a motion discreetly welcoming Solidarity.

This was followed by rejection of the Government's economic reform pro-

Second, the Seim's power was directly proportional to the erosion of party influence in the country. The party had shown itself to be out of touch with national feelings and the steered the party's leadership from a Gomulka or Gierek-like by showing what would be unacceptable to ordinary Poles.

Neither of these factors has disappeared. The Sejm still has wide theoretical powers and the party is still out of touch with the needs of real Poles: it could thus be of use to the generals — if only it were given the chance.

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"I certainly didn't buy it so that I could be called the fifteenth Master of Land's End" says David Goldstone, the Welsh-born solicitor and property millionaire who last week pipped the National Trust to the post — or rather the outpost — by paying more than £2m for Britain's most famous piece of coast-

Land's End came on to the market last summer with a minimum price tag of £1.75m after being in the ownership of the Neave-Hill family for more than three centuries: Rumours that a foreigner might buy it sparked off-fears that it would be closed to the public. A member of the Rouse of Lords speculated that it might be cut off and towed away. A sale to a commercial developer — one of the big brewery chains was thought to be interested was thought to be interested — conjured up the horrifying prospect of fish and chips and fun fares. The National Trust wanted to buy it for the nation but was refused government funds to help. Its eleventh hour bid of £1.25m was completely outgunned by the £2.25m paid last week by David Goldstone for the privilege of owning what one rival bidder described as "a pretty grotty sort of place really". The Tourist Board apparently received regular complaints about Lands End from visitors.

Mr Goldstone is somewhat

more circumspect in his assessment. "Land's End is a major tourist attraction but at the moment it is not a very attractive attraction. It is easy, however, to see how it could, without any massive redevelopment, offer greatly improved facilities to visi-tors." Mr Goldstone, the conservationist will be keen concrete jungle on our most westerly point. He does, however, think that Land's End is a good financial proposition. Indeed the sum of money he is prepared to spend — perhaps as much as £3.5m m total over the next few years with the aid of grants — has amazed tivals like the National Trust who would not necessarily seek to justify their bid in commercial terms.

The National Trust, not surprisingly, saw itself as the most appropriate owner of the Land's End Estate. Perhaps there is something vaguely distasteful about national land mark belonging to one individual, compercially-minded or otherwise. None the less, Land's End needs money spent on it.

philanthropic gesture", says Mr Goldstone, who besides his large property interests is chairman of one publiclyquoted property company, Regalian. He is also a former Cardiff City "Land's End Football Club. attracts around a million visitors a year. It is said that we go there twice in a lifetime. Once when we are children and once again with our own children."

I looked at the numbers going there and the existing facilities. It was clear that this presented a real oppor-tunity for improvements and a good investment return. I would like to build a new building there as a tomist building there as a townst centre, get rid of some of the existing kiosks and snack bars and make a more cohesive unit.

The Countryside Commission has said publicly that it will make available to the

new owner the grants that were offered to the National Trust. News of the purchase. appears to have gone down well locally, particularly since the new owner is taking seriously the suggestion that a memorial to the enle Lifeboatmen should be incorporated in his plans. **Margaret Drummond**

Ronald Butt Why we live in a rape culture

High Court judge who chaired an advisory committee on the issue.

Mrs Thatcher does not how can it be checked? pornography cannot be quanPublic comment concentrates tified, no inference can be on such superficial questions drawn about its effect in as whether the judge who preferred a fine to a prison crime.

But the doctrinaire liber- background to establish what tarian will never even say part, if any, had been played by pornographic addiction in incontrovertibly established bringing the criminal to the start of mind in which he start of mind in which he on such superficial questions as whether the judge who preferred a fine to a prison sentence in a particular case should be sacked, or whether prison sentences should be share the over-intellectua-lized view that public anxiety has been inflated by the recent concentration of the media on the subject which, prison sentences should be

as some officials dismissively put it, "sells newspapers."

The Prime Minister recognizes the reality of public anxiety; that ordinary people are worried about the increasing denger. mandatory. in part, rape reflects a rising trend of general violence. Yet it has increased more than violence of other kinds, and it is difficult not

chances of future happiness, obscenity did, that because the mass of happening increasingly and the acknowledged increase in elected her.

More deeply still, we live in a culture which is both obsessed by sex but which also regards the sex act as

fundamentally trivial. In such an atmosphere, and encour-aged by such material, men of violent inclination or without self-control take what they want by force creasing danger.

The figures speak for because our present culture themselves: To give one encourages it.

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It is easier to worry away at the details of legal and police procedure than to tackle the basic question: why is this crime, a kind of psychological murder that can destroy the victim, and the publication of material and which associates sex with violence, why is this crime, a kind of psychological murder that can destroy the victim's chances of future happiness, happening increasingly and since all effective inhibitions were removed on the matter, it really does not do the victim much harm. Mrs Thatcher must know that the basically elitist argument which places the unfettered freedom to publish even the most violent pornography above the freedom of women not to be put logical inference to argue, as the Williams Committee on obscenity did, that because the mass of the people who elected her. regarded as so trivial a matter, it really does not do the victim much harm.

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ible approach—the systematic and professional investi-gation in clinical conditions of rape cases and their licence sex shops.

I do not suppose that such an inquiry will find much pornographer to the safety of favour in the Home Office, the rapists' potential victims. which even resisted the The stock answer is that present Act against child

Unfortunately, far from contemplating such legislation to prohibit specified categories of pornography (particularly those of a sadomasochistic sort), the Government is actually on the brink of legislating to

Here, indeed, is a licence to wrint money. As "Britain's highest baid company chairman", the owner of a sex shop chain told Mr Patrick Sergeant, City Editor of the Daily Mail, the other day:

'Sex will be the growth industry of the eighties, just as betting shops were in the seventies. Councils will be able to licence sex shops this typer. The string on a gold year . . I'm sitting on a gold mine." I dare say he is, and Mrs. Thatcher has been warned of the likely consequences of the legislation,

which reaches its report Office by the scruff of its neck, knock some of the libertarian nonsense out of it and penal adjustments to deal and bring it into touch with reality. Perhaps Mrs Thatcher can remind him that it was acknowledge that the rise of acknowledge that the rise of

perfect cross-party issue to put to a referendum. But it is hardly necessary. The signs of public opinion

the people want, they have a

already exist to be read, from the protests of ordinary women all over the country against precisely the kind of shops which the Government now proposes to let councils licence, to the welcome if intellectually tortuous con-version of the women's libbers who have done as. much as anyone to promote the kind of society without restraints which has given birth to the rape culture but who now unite against rape. Sophisticated and liberal people will counsel Mrs
Thatcher not to respond to
populist fervour. Popular
opinion, however, has its
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Mr Whitelaw is plainly best it can to protect the unwilling to take the Home person of every citizen.

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not this elite but the mass of this particular crime is the the people who put them in sign of a degenerate society power. If they have any and to ask how we have come doubt about what the mass of to sink so low.

Sir Horace Cotler

Who is most likely to succeed Sir Horace, who has never recovered his flamboyance since the puritanical socialists took away his official limousine?

Best performer of the Tory bunch, though unfortunately a shade too liberal, is Alan Greengross. A Jewish businessman who represents Hampstead, Green-gross is an old sparring parmer of Livingstone from their days together on Camden Council.
Money is also being placed on George Tremlett, the failed Tory candidate for the Richmond (Twickenham) parliamentary nomination and ex-pop star biographer (who is believed to be Livingstone) and Livingstone's own favourite), and the florid Tory deputy leader.

Michael Horsnell

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Sir William Walton, the elder statesman of British music, has just completed his first major original work for 10 years in time to mark his eightieth birthday in March—an event which will be celebrated by an abundance of concerts throughout the world concerts throughout the world.

The piece, Prologo e Fantasia,
was commissioned by Mstislav
Rostropovitch who will conduct
its premiere with the National
Symphony Orchestra of Washing-

ton in London next month. Sir William has spent 12 painstaking months composing it in the music room of his delightful villa on the Italian island of Ischia where he lives with his Argentinian wife,

Yesterday Lady Walton told me by telephone: "William has al-ways taken a long time to write music and now a great deal of physical effort is involved. His eyes are not good, though he does not complain about his health. William is never terribly pleased with his work because he always wants to do better, like any artist. But I am sure it is

The English winter prevents Sir William and Lady Walton from leaving the island, where they have lived for 30 years, to attend the premiere (a recording will be sent to them). But they will travel to England on March 25 in time for his birthday four days later and stay for two weeks Meanwhile the Oldham-born Sir William, who spends up to five hours a day in his music room, hopes to devote more time to pottering about his hillside garden which the couple have populated with exotic plants from corners of the world they visited during more energetic conducting days. On his birthday the Philhar-

monia Orchestra will welcome the couple to the Royal Festival Hall for a concert conducted by Andre Previn which will be televized nationwide. Elsewhere all-Walton birthday concerts will be given by the English Chamber Orchestra, the Bach Choir, the Choir of Westminster Abbey and the Scotish National Orchestra. Many prominent artists will take part in these and other celebra-tory concerts, including Sir Georg Solti, Yehudi Menuhin Leonard Bernstein and Sir David Willcocks. A substantial number of performances will be given in or performances will be given in many other countries, including the United States, where 20 major concerts are scheduled, and there will be large exhibitions at the Royal Festival Hall

Hi-fi deb

Joanna Percy, 18, emerged as Deb of the Year after an unpleasantly cramped evening on Tuesday at Wedgies, the King's Road nightclub. A product of Cheltenham Ladies' College who is hoping to go up to Oxford, Miss Percy stayed the course better than six other finalists during a gruelling examination
which required her to perform
court curtseys, model dresses

THE TIMES DIARY The steady anglici-



that has taken place since the Second World War looks set to conquer a final bastion. The authorities have proposed to the island's lawyers

that English instead of French should be used for property Conveyancing.

Surprisingly to most visitors, to whom the Channel Islands seem as English-speaking as the Isle of Wight, French is still the official

language of Jersey, and theoreti-cally, has equal status with English in Guernsey. In practice French survives even

and answer questions such as "who is the head waiter at

So packed was the evening, however, with debs, their delights and assorted revellers at £22 per head, that even the judges, among them Stirling Moss and, appropriately for what has been described as the Upper Class Miss World, Michael Aspel, found it difficult to see or hear the contestants. Indeed Diana Dors found the struggle so unequal she resigned her post halfway through.

It was all a far cry from the deb's mother's day when lor-gnettes would have dropped at the thought of the whole affair being sponsored by a Japanese hifi firm. The evening clearly appeared too much for Michael Aspel who was too ill to appear

in public business only in vestigial in public obstness only in vestigal forms. Parliamentary and court sittings are opened with prayers in French, while local MPs vote pour or contre and report a missing colleague as absent de l'ile. But it is a long time since anyone ventured to address the island parliaments or courts in French

The gallic stronghold is the legal profession, because the ancient customary law of Normandy still decides many issues and pre-war French legislation remains on the statute book. Jersey advocates can have French or English qualifications, and all Guernsey advocates have to take a course at Caen University.

for his morning show on Capital Radio. Have a cuppa

Advertising people and chimpanzees will gather at the Waldorf Hotel today to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the first PG Tips commercial. Peter Sellers provided the first voiceover for a tea drinking chimp, screened on Christmas Day, 1956. But the story I like is of a later jenkins chimp making references to the TUC (Tea, you see). It seems that the Independent Television Companies Association

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Feather, general secretary of the TUC at the time, entirely disagreed with this view when approached, and filming went ahead as planned.

Medical prize

Dr David Morley of the Tropical Child Health Unit, Guifford Street, London, has been award-ed the King Faisal International to the TUC (Tea, you see). It seems that the Independent Television Companies Association— TV's advertising standards watchdog— stepped in and gave warning that trade unions could not be made to look like "a bunch of monkeys". But Vic ed the King Faisal International Prize this year for "distinguished Trie announcement of medicine". The announcement of the award by the prize selection committee in Riyadh cites Dr Morley's research studies on "the health of infants in tropical regions and developing countries." The prize

fashioned permissive, but she who worked principally in Nigeria in the 1950s and 1960s is the author of various studies of which the best known is Pediatric which the best known is Pediatric Priorities in the Developing World. This has been reprinted six times and published in Prench, Spanish, Portuguese and Indonesian as well as English and is being translated into Arabic.

The King Faisal Foundation, which also awards international prizes for Islamic service, Islamic research, Arabic literature and science, was established in memscience, was established in mem-ory of the late King Faisal by members of his family.

> Exit right? Sir Horace Cutler, leader of the Tories on the Greater London Council, is widely believed to be seeking a dignified retreat from

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his colleagues remarked in the subsidized bar near the council chamber the other day, "only Horace could have suatched

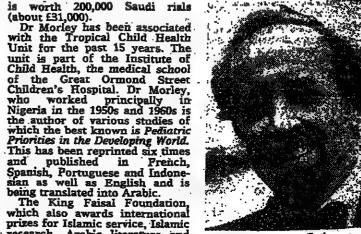
defeat from the jaws of victory

on the London fares issue."
His as yet unannounced departure explains the sudden ani-

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KILLING THE RAILWAY

Labour's National Executive European countries, is the It was also essential to ensure and the TUC General Council most important of the next that the NUR would approve yesterday declared themselves in favour of running down the railways. To put it like that risks being tied to the track by Mr Benn as an enemy of the people, but it is the logic of the advice to British Rail to pay the striking Aslef men , without securing the productivity that is at the heart of the dispute. We must give Labour and TUC the credit for being able to see beyond their noses; they must know that if British Rail simply pays up it will jeopardize the prospect of substantial investment in electrification from this Sidney... Government. Mr Weighell the general secretary of the NUR, which has agreed the productivity, sees this very clearly, but he knows and cares more about railways than his TUC colleagues whose judgment is usually better: Labour's reflex politicians have long ago given up pretending to take a national

The damage being done is considerable. The railways are carrying only about half their normal load of coal and iron. Freightliner business, which is quickly vulnerable to road competition, is down by 80 per cent. Parcels, which were coming into surplus this year for the first time since the 1960s have been smashed back into loss. The financial costs of the strike are estimated at £45 million up to today, with an extra £14 million a week henceforward. Less quantifiable but equally worry-

ing are the customers who insist on a reliable service and may now be lost forever. Given the precariousness of

British Rail's basic finances, losses of that order cannot easily be sustained for long. Yet the issues of productivity and efficient use of manpower which are at stake here are fundamental. They involve the future viability of the railways and the British Railways Board is correct to insist on a solution. After decades of slack management the Board has recently grasped the productivity nettle. Last year 8,000 staff, including 1,200 drivers, were shed, all voluntary or by natural wastage. So on course towards the reduction of 38,000 over five years which is part of the deal with Government in return for investment funds for electrification.

address to Congress President

Reagan concentrated mostly

on domestic issues. These are the questions which will deter-

mine the success of his admin-

istracion. Unless the economy

can be brought out of re-

cession the Republicans will

fare badly in the mid-term

elections in November, neither

Mr Reagan nor any other,

Republican would stand much

chance of keeping the presi-

dency in 1984, and the admin-

istration's authority in inter-

national affairs would be weakened by constant criti-cism of its economic failures

The principal problem is that

so long as the budget deficit

remains so large it will be

difficult to bring interest rates

down and there will be the constant danger that any econ-

omic revival would soon be

snuffed out. Mr Reagan spoke

with confidence of reducing

the deficit "steadily, surely

and, in time, completely". But

he offered little enough

evidence as to how he will

manage to do this. Above all,

he set his face firmly against

raising taxes or cutting de-

fence expenditure, at least

until a satisfactory arms re-

duction agreement is negotiated with the Soviet

The most important pro-

posal he made was to transfer

responsibility for a range of

from at home and abroad.

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steps necessary to sustain the productivity drive. It would increase by 10 per cent the number of productive hours worked. It was the pre-requisite for reducing the railwaymen's weekly working hours this year from 40 to 39. It who works on or uses the railways because it will make the railways more efficient and secure. It does however, involve Aslef members working harder, and eventually some 4,000 of them losing their jobs. These latter redundancies might be negotiable in another situation - over half the Aslef drivers are over 50 and the scope for generous early remement is considerable. But Aslef is a tiny union with barely 20,000 members. It. is a threatened species; its absolute numbers have declined with the industry and its craft differentials have been eroded by technological change. In fact there is no justifi-

cation for Aslef's continuance; it has a colourful and proud history but in a rational world, or any other advanced industrial country, it would have merged with the NUR and the union would have worked with management to create an efficient future for their industry. Instead Aslef, remains an uncomfortable legacy, its executive strongly influenced by Communists, insisting that British Rail share its own mulish attitude to industrial progress. Whatever the arguments about every final detail of last year's agreement on rostering there is little doubt that Aslef have broken the spirit and under-standing on which it was made. As Mr Sidney Weighell the courageous General Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen wrote recently in the NUR News: "I must make it clear that the serious situation which has now been reached whereby the Board have decided not to implement the 39 hour week and not to pay the 3 per cent increase for locomotive staff has been brought about entirely by the stance adopted by Aslef."

The British Rail Board has tyea the dispute long. who see no end to their weekly discomfort, but is understandable. At the beginning it was essential not to

MR REAGAN DISTRIBUTES WELFARE

government to state and local

administrations. In principle,

there is much to be said for

such a strategy of delegation.

In a country the size of the United States the dangers of

excessive centralization are

enormous. It is much better that there should be scope for adapting many welfare pro-grammes to local conditions. But one must also consider

how, this, broad principle is likely to be applied in practice.

Will it prove to be an indirect

method of cutting back on welfare? All welfare cuts would be much better as part

of a deliberate strategy that

considered what was needed and could be afforded in

relation to the nation's re-

sources, rather than as an

undeclared side effect of a

Will the already consider-

able disparities in welfare

provision be extended to the

point where they become indefensible? And will the

financial arrangements be sat-

isfactory? Mr Reagan is proposing that the Federal Government should assume full responsibility for funding

the Medicaid programme of

health insurance and that the

full proceeds from certain

excise taxes should be paid into a "grassroots trust fund"

which would be divided among

the states. This arrangement

would last until 1988 when the

trust fund would begin to be

change in administration.

In his first State of the Union programmes from the federal

the British Rail stand, as it did last week's suspension of Sunday payments. Even now, a month into the dispute, the Aslef drivers are only just beginning to feel the impact on their pay packets of losing on average around £35 a week. It will be of benefit to everyone might be wise to let this measured approach run a little longer while still pressing the offer made last Friday to refer the issue to binding arbitration. Asler's cynical insistence that it would go to arbitration only if it reserved the right to refuse an unfavourable judgment will have educated the public, if they need further education, on the nature of the animal involved

Looking ahead, the Arbitration and Conciliation Advisory Service will remain actively involved and may once again discover a magic formula to end the dispute. But if that were to involve a well-meaning fudging of the basic pro-ductivity issue it would not be in the long term interest of the

railways or the public. The point will come, and it cannot be long ahead, when British Rail will have to decide whether to raise the stakes. In practical terms that would mean suspending the 1919 agreement for a guaranteed working weak for footplate staff. However, political prudence suggests that the NUR should not be driven into common cause with Aslef and so. Mr Weighell's men should be offered payment providing they turn up to work. Either way Aslef would certainly declare a total strike and the railways would close. That would push the railways even farther into debt. The Government, which has so far stood well off this dispute, would then need to indicate full support for the board; after all this is a battle about efficiency in a public industry, an issue which is close to Mrs Thatcher's heart and deserves her commitment.

A rail shutdown would hurt customers, both the longsuffering commuter and such industries as electricity generation, where stocks will quickly run down — though for some it may be easier to This is irritating for travellers adjust to no service than to an erratic one. These, too, will have to show patience and support. A more efficient railway system is in the long Flexible rostering, which is a time when a coal strike Government, public, and above common practice in most remained a distinct possibility. all the railwaymen themselves.

resources to need. This is

a strategy of decentralization.

It is particularly acute in the

United States where there are

such wide geographical differ-

ences in wealth and income,

and where the incidence of

poverty is extremely uneven. Mr Reagan may perhaps have been too much influenced by

his experience as Governor of

California, a rich state that is

well equipped to exercise any

delegated responsibility that is

revenue sharing schemes

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government, the states and

local authorities in the United

States has been far from

encouraging. The arrange-

ments have become immensely

complex and they have not

been a satisfactory means of

channelling money where it is

most needed. Mr Reagan will

find that he can apply the

sound principle of decentralization in acceptable

fashion only if he can solve

this problem. In any case, a

scheme of this magnitude

cannot be brought into oper-

ation soon enough to help Mr

Reagan in the immediate

necessity to cut the budget

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Home buying finance

From Mr M. R. Weals Sir, While agreeing with Chris Pond (January 23) that action is needed on housing one must question some of the solutions he is recommending. To tax people on the monetary capital gains on their home, which could only be done when they moved, would have the effect mainly of stopping them moving. People with expanding families would be unable to trade up and elderly and retired people could not afford to trade down. afford to trade down.

Non-renewable mortgage interest relief would equally stop moving. Perhaps it would be more sensible to restrict tax relief, the benefit of which increases with higher rates of inflation and associated higher interest rates to the standard rate, but to remove the £25,000 upper limit. To remove relief entirely would put a large burden on those who can at least afford to pay: the first time buyers who, although they tend to buy the cheaper houses, tend to have the

larger mortgages.

But it is on the question of council housing that a radical new approach is needed. Subsidies to council housing have risen from £251m in 1970 to £2,115m in 1979 and supervision/ maintenance alone cost almost as much as the rent received. Council housing is expensive and divides the nation into those who have a stake in the future and

those who do not.

While we must recognise that there will always be a need for some municipally-owned housing and that the obligation on and that the obligation on councils to house the genuinely homeless must remain this need can hardly extend to most of the 30 per cent of the population living in council houses. Giving the houses away would have only cost £268m in 1980: to convert most tenancy agreements into mortgages at a higher weekly navment would reduce this. payment would reduce this.

Of course some people would do better out of this than others, but we should be considering ways of cutting our losses and not worry too much that such a solution would not be much more fair than the current situation. The replacement of rent allowances by mortgage allowance depending on incomes would surely be the final step needed to bring home ownership within the reach of all. Yours faithfully,

M. R. WEALE, Department of Applied Economics, University of Cambridge, Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge. January 25.

Corporation tax

From Professor A. R. Prest Sir, Mr Basil de Ferranti and Sir Brandon Rhys Williams plead (January 16) for the abolition of corporation tax and its replace-ment by a combination of taxing dividends to personal income tax and of an increase (percentage unspecified) of VAT.

The main grounds for their proposal seem to be the assumpproposal seem to be the assumption that in general corporation tax is both fully and quickly passed forward. What is the evidence for such a clear-cut verdict? One need not agree with everything else in the recent Green Paper (Cmnd 8456) to accept its statement (paragraph 4.9) that "recease here have come phased out and the excise taxes would be turned over to the It is not clear, though, that these methods would be a 4.9) that "researchers have come satisfactory means of relating up with widely varying esti-mates" of the extent and speed of always the critical problem for

such passing forward.

The fallback argument is that in any residual cases where corporation tax is not fully passed forward its abolition would not leave a tax loophole because of the existence of capital gains tax. But CGT is levied at a lower rate than corporation tax and may be deferred for many years, perhaps indefinitely. So CGT is in no sense an adequate substitute.

No reference whatever is made to the consequences of the abolition of corporation tax here but not, say, in the USA for the transfer of tax revenue from the UK to the US. Such mundane matters may be of no concern to your correspondents; it is unlikely that the UK Treasury would take that view. Yours faithfully,

A. R. PREST, Professor of Economics, The London School of Economics and Political Science, Houghton Street, WC2 Tanuary 18.

A beast in view

From Mr A. J. Heward Rees Sir, The new joint armorial bearings for the Prince and Princess of Wales illustrated in

your issue of January 20 do not alas, contain "four Welsh dra-gons" as Alan Hamilton describes them: not even as supporters.

The tiny interior shield (known as an 'inescutcheon of pre-tence") which is usually found in Prince Charles's arms features four counterchanged leopards otherwise "lions passant guar-dant". These were borne by princely members of the Royal House of Gwynedd, including the tragic Llywelyn ap Gruffydd, the seven-hundredth anniversary of whose slaughtering occurs this very year. (The intention is to emphasize a somewhat tenuous blood link with the Prince, no doubt.) The badge underneath, consisting of three feathers and motto, is of course of continental

There be no dragons. . . . I remain, yours faithfully, A. J. HEWARD REES, Negadd Seiriol, Bangor, Gywynedd January 20.

Party strategy in an economic crisis

Sir, What a pity Mr Hamilton's open letter (January 26) should be so unnecessarily divisive.

The state of the s

If the economic upturn is as rosy as he maintains, there would seem to be little risk in the Government declaring an interim dividend. The Treasury's own estimate of growth is only 1 per cent next year. If, on the other hand, it is not so rosy, the case for a mildly expansionist Budget is reinforced.

There are as many budget plans as there are MPs but, apart from the two entrenched extremes, the great majority of Tories are looking for a moderate expansion. A figure of £3bn is canvassed, with concessions centred on industrial costs and expenditure on the infrastructure. Nobody is so naive as to ture. Nobody is so naive as to suppose that this will solve the unemployment problem. Hardly anyone believes it will produce Mr Hamilton's "inevitable surge of inflation".

The country has earned this relaxation and we have reached the stage when we can and should undertake it. The coming Budget provides the opportunity both to inject the degree of encouragement industry needs and can absorb without strain, and also to have a beneficial effect on the unity of the party. Yours faithfully, IIM LESTER, Bouse of Commons.

January 27.

From Mr C. H. F. Blake Sir, May a loyal Tory of even less importance than the disloyal Mr Grigg crave some space to say how profoundly mistaken I believe him to be in saying (feature, January 21) that the SDP-Liberal Alliance offers at least "the possibility of tackling the country's endemic prob-lems"? This country has indeed been declining economically, socially and morally, for more than 35 years and will continue to do so until everyone realizes that life is nasty, brutish and short, that it does not provide anything that it does not provide anything for nothing, and that duties are more important than rights. I have yet to read of an Alliance politician speaking in this vein.

Mrs Thatcher is in my humble opinion the first prime minister since Churchill with the political since Churchill with the political courage necessary to proclaim these simple truths and to use tham in tackling our problems. One has only to read the letter from the Liberal, Mr Pick, in your same issue to realize that the so-called Alliance has little chance of providing the units and chance of providing the unity and the will necessary for the kind of leadership which our situation demands. Your leading article on the same page, where you criticize Mr Reagan and other January 22,

From Mr Jim Lester, MP for heads of government for wanting the best of all worlds should also serve to warn us against the facile panaceas with which we are continually regaled by politicians

of all parties.

Mrs Thatcher and her immedi-Mrs Thatcher and her immediate colleagues have no panaceas to offer except hard work, enterprise and the 1982 equivalent of blood, toil, tears and sweat. They know that the "best of all worlds" is an illusion. I believe the country as a whole will also come to realize this in time for the next election; and I suspect that a number of people suspect that a number of people, including the miners, realize it aiready. Yours faithfully,

C. H. F. BLAKE, 23 Downleaze, January 22.

From Mr Henry Bellingham Sir, In his recent article in The Times (January 21) Mr John Grigg explains why he quit the Tories for the SDP. He regrets Tories for the SDP. He regrets that hardly any dissatisfied Tories have defected to the SDP and urges them to follow his example. He explains that the SDP's failure to attract such people lies largely in the basic loyalty of most Tory activists. This may well be a partial explanation, but the main reason is the SDP's abject failure to emerge as a broadly-based centre party capable of preying on the party capable of preying on the camps of both the two main

North-West Norfolk is the only Tory Parliamentary seat to have gone over to the SDP and a number of observers expected it to be in the vanguard of a mass exodus of party workers to the SDP. However, out of a total of more than 1,000 voluntary workers in the constituency we have lost scarcely any to the SDP. One does not have to look

too far to find an explanation for this state of affairs.

Lord Whaddon, who was Labour MP for King's Lynn in the 1960s, recently defected to the SDP: he felt he could join it because it was a "revamped mark II Labour Party". The agent for the Liberal/SDP candidate in a forthcoming local government by-election in King's Lynn is urging people to support the renewed socialist party

Finally, few Tories in this part of the world will quickly forget the remarks of Bill Rodgers at the SDP launch: "We are not a centre party, but are left of centre". cantre' Yours sincerely,

HENRY BELLINGHAM, North West Norfolk Conservative Association, Greenland Fishery, Bridge Street,

Law on mental patients

From the Legal Director of MIND. Sir, You report (Parliamentary Report, January 20) that Lord Belstead has introduced an amendment to comply with the recent judgment of the European Court of Human Rights. The amendment, paradoxically, re-moves the existing right of certain patients to apply to a mental health review tribunal within the first six months of their detention. Lord Belstead was reported in Hansard to have said that "the need for this change is entirely bound up with our response to the judgment of the European Court in the case of v. The United Kingdom"

I acted as co-counsel for X before the European Court and was responsible for advising the court in pursuance of article 50 of the Convention as to the measures that would have to be taken by the United Kingdom Government to comply with the court's judgment. I am happy to say that the whole package of amendments put before the House of Lords corresponds with the article 50 submission and fully complies with the court's judgment. However, the further illiberal measure to withdraw the right of certain patients to apply to the tribunal during the first six months of their detention was not in the article 50 submission and will almost certainly not be

an element of the court's final statement on the matter.
Lord Belstead considers that
the European Convention makes

a specific requirement that domestic legislation must be entirely consistent in all respects and therefore we must treat all therefore we must "treat all patients exactly alike". I can find no basis for such a conclusion in any of the jurisprudence of the European Court or in the convention; this absolute need for internal legislative consistency certainly was never alluded to in any of the arguments before the court in X's case. Perhaps more importantly, even if Lord Belstead's amend-

ment was accepted, there would remain an almost identical internal inconsistency in that section 26 patients would still have the right to apply to a tribunal during the first six months of detention. In the debate Lord Renton argued that "it is against the spirit of the decision of the court to say that merely for the sake of consistency — a strange kind of egalitarianism — in order to give one type of patient a new right, we must remove an existing right from another type of patient". Lord Renton's view must be correct and one hopes that the Government will take account of this view at report stage. Yours sincerely,

L. GOSTIN, Legal Director, MIND, 22 Harley Street, W1.

Off the roster

From Mr Sasthi Brata

Sir, The uproar over the disclos-ures by the two trainee drivers seems to me to reflect not so much the indolence and duplicity of the British Rail worker as the endemic hypocrisy of the society in which he, along with his masters, operates.

For what the two courageous trainees had to say is true of almost every other sphere of British working life, And it is arrant and dishonest nonsense for a "board spokesman" to imply that without "flying squads to check on every train and every journey" it is impossible to endorse the revelations of Messrs Leighson and Wallace.

Let me cite two very different examples from my own experience. In 1976 on my very first day at work as a fully fledged foot-postman, I did my morning "walk" and returned to the sorting office at 8.15 am and signed the register accordingly. Within the hour I was reprimanded severely both by the Union secretary and the supervisor for having put down the correct time instead of 9.30 am as that was how long I should have taken on my "walk." I was told that the spare hour

and a quarter was one of the "hidden perks" that went with the job. I later learnt that evening shifts which ended at 9 pm really finished at 7.15 pm and night duty meant working for about

four hours and being paid for eight. To my astonishment I discovered that there were colleagues who, on paper, worked from 6 am to 9 pm non-stop up to five days a week. And the most amazing thing was that all this went on with the full knowledge of, and in collusion with, management, from bottom up.
Nor is the British proletariat
unique in its dissimulations. In

during my first month as a £1,800-a-year executive in an engineering firm, I was asked by the departmental boss to deal with the workload of a colleague who was away on a fortnight's holiday. When I finished dealing with his in-tray in two days I was informed (by innuendo and indirect communication) that I was meant to have taken five times as long and should have spent two weeks on the job. It waen't that I was exceptionally quick or that the other man was extraordinarily slow, but just that it was one of the "perks" of the job to "take it easy."

The lesson, I suggest, is that in Poste restante? this country everyone every-where knows that "fiddles" are From Mr J. F. Morris innocent abroad breaks out of the hypocritical conspiracy and dares to shout that the emperor has no clothes.

Yours, SASTHI BRATA, Savernake House, 33 Savernake Road, Hampstead, NW3.

Radioactive waste disposal

From Dr A. E. Hughes and others Sir, Your Science Editor ("Nuclear waste conflict", January 25states that uncertainty about the
stability of glass (to be used in
the disposal of radioactive waste)
has been recently voiced in
Nature by a team from Harwell
and implies that this has caused the Government to postpone any scheme for disposing of waste underground.

This is not true. The purpose of our paper in Nature was to discuss radiation effects and their influence on the leach rate of vitrified highly radioactive waste. We conclude that radiation effects will not cause a significant increase in leach are concant increase in leach rate over that of unirradiated glass in practical repository situations. The leach rate of the glass is

only one of the factors which control the release of radioactivity to the environment. The flow rate of water through any repository, the solubility of chemicals in the water, and the properties of the surrounding rocks would be just as important: this is confirmed in studies by rocks would be just as important this is confirmed in studies by the Institute of Geological Sciences and the National Radiological Protection Board. Our paper points out that under the conditions to be expected in an actual repository the release of elements from the glass by dissolution is sufficiently low that confidence in the suitability of glasses is reinforced.

of glasses is reinforced.

The uncertainty expressed in the last paragraph of our paper refers not to doubts about the acceptability of glass as a waste medium, but to the precise values of the parameters to use in quantitative calculations of re-

lease rate. Your Science Editor also raises the question of glass developing cracks at high temperatures underground. It is proposed to store vitrified waste for a period in a monitored environment which permits the heat emission associated with radioactive decay to decrease to low levels. This avoids the possibility of generating high temperatures in repository. Yours faithfully,

A. E. HUGHES,
W. G. BURNS,
J. A. C. MARPLES,
R. S. NELSON,
A. M. STONEHAM,
United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority Laboratory, Harwell

January 26.

Cold reception

From Miss Irene Fyffe Sir, Mary Hannah (letter, January 21) should ask each child, at the beginning of the autumn term, to bring to school one clothes peg, clearly marked with the name of the child. These pegs should be kept in a box in an easily accessible place until the start of the "wellies" season. When required, the child finds its own pag and clips wellies together as soon as the boots are

As an infants' teacher this tip has saved much patience fraying and infant panic, and really does stop wellies walking. Incidentally, it also provides a little extra lesson in name recognition. Yours faithfully, I. M. FYFFE, Keep Cottage, St Leonard's Street,

West Malling, Kent Јепцагу 25.

In office

From Mr Gordon Bowker Sir, It seems wholly in character for Stanley Baldwin to have called *power* "office" (letter, January 23). Yours faithfully. GORDON BOWKER, 4. Hillgate Place, Kensington, W8. January 23.

British Telecom

From Mr Alan M. Pardoe Sir, Mr Findlay (January 21) is indeed fortunate in being able to "talk to anyone in the world" by a "clear and simple method" of telephoning. In these villages we have the greatest difficulty in just getting a dialling tone.

The chairman of British Tele-com (January 19) says that "over the last 12 months, in particular, service has greatly improved"; not here it hasn't! The last year has been the worst we've had. But perhaps he was thinking of amount of servicing the engineers have to do; our local exchange is in a field and a new concrete drive has been laid, presumably because the frequent visits by the engineers were wearing the old one out.

Even the operators (when I can speak to one) despair when I report that Ridgeway Cross is faulty again. Yours faithfully ALAN M. PARDOE,

Half Acre, Mathon, Malvern, Worcestershire. January 21.

January 19.

going on all over the place. But Sir, I note with interest that on broulana ensues only when some February 10 the Post Office will February 10 the Post Office will issue a new set of stamps commemorating Charles Darwin. Is it of significance that the new 151/2p stamp for first class postage depicts two tortoises? I am, Sir, your obedient servant, JAMES F. MORRIS, 18A Wedderburn Road, NW3.

Rate revaluation From Mr Brian L. Hill

Union.

Sir, The Secretary of State for Scotland has recently announced that a rating revaluation of nondomestic property will take place in 1983 north of the border. This Statement is warmly welcomed. The assessments under any form of taxation become increasingly unfair and arbitrary if they are not regularly and frequently updated. Without such a reassessment some commercial and industrial ratepayers, particularly those operating small businesses, will be paying more rates than

they should. The recent Green Paper on Alternatives to Domestic Rates identified that a non-domestic tevaluation would result in substantially reduced rate charges for larger, older and labour-intensive factories and for older steelworks, and slightly reduced charges for newer steelworks, local shops and older offices in

some cities. While it would have been preferable to include dwellings in the 1983 Scottish revaluation. there is a greater urgency to deal with commercial and industrial property since movements in values have been more pro-nounced in this sector. In any event, current law provides for an adjustment to the valuations on residences broadly in line with the increases revealed in the non-

domestic sector. Scottish business occupiers will, however, be put in a more fortunate position than their counterparts in England and

Wales. Equity demands that the Secretaries of State for the Environment and for Wales should urgently make an announcement that a revaluation of non-domestic property south of the border should be carried out at an early date, especially since the last exercise was carried out in 1973 compared with 1978 in Scotland. Such a statement will very materially assist many commercial and industrial ratepayers, particularly in the present climate of economic recession. Yours faithfully, BRIAN L. HILL, Secretary, The Rating and Valuation Association,

115 Ebury Street,

Belgravia, SW1. January 21.



COURT AND SOCIAL

Mr R. Pierce and Miss K. Stevenson

Marriages

Mr J. Bentley and Miss K. S. Percy

COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM, NORFOLK
January 27: Sir William Heseltine had the honour of being received by The Queen this evening when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian. Order.

Figure 27: Sir William Heseltine Hese

Council Offices and Stafford Magistrates's Court. His Royal Highness was entertained to luncheon at the County Buildings, Stafford by the Cheirman of Hife of Mrs Dorothy (Dossie) Parish will be held in the (Councillor Arthur Cholerton) and in the afternoon opened Borough Hall Arts and Entertainments Centre, Stafford.

His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Honor Maingot will be held on Thursday, February 25, 1982 at 11.30 am.

Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is announced between Richard, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Edmund Pierce, of Timbridge Parm, Mariborough, Wiltshire, and Kate, younger daughter of Mr Kenneth Stevenson, of Villara, Switzerland, and Mrs Lynette Stevenson, of Mariborough, Wilshire. The engagement is announced between Eric, son of Mr and Mrs J. F. Severin, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Susan, daughter of Sir Michael and Lady Edwardes, of Birbward Susan.

The engagement is amnounced between Jeremy, son of Mr Geoffrey Tate, FRCS, and Mrs Tate, of Wedgewood House, Kent Road, Harrogate, and Penelope, daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Tidbury, of 10 Pensioners Court, The Charterbouse, EC1. The engagement is announced between David Stuart, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. J. Bateson of Aldermans, Knebworth, Hertford shire, and Anna Catharine, elder daughter of Group Captain and Mrs B. M. Burley, of Kingsway Cottage, St Osyth, Essex.

Lt-Col R. R. Gregory, RE (reto), and Mrs E. V. Bowrs

Mr A. N. Dard and Miss M. S. Thwaites

The engagement is announced between Andrew Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs Travis W. Herd, of Roefield House, Boxmore, Hertfordshire, and Mary Slobhan, younger daughter of Captain and Mrs Gerard A. Thwattes, of Craggis Cottage, Resy. Catthness.

The engagement is announced between Peter Arthur Hubbard, of Melbourne, Australia, and Marienne Fionz, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Humphry, of Ampney Park, Cirencester, Gloucestershire.

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Luncheon

Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a huncheon given at Admiralty House in honour of Dr Relmut Kohl, chairman of the Christian Democratic Union of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Service reception The Parachute Regiment

The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron of Asthma Research Council, was present this afternoon at the Premier of a documentary film A Breath of Fresh Air held at The British Academy of Film and Television Arts, London.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance. The Colonel Commandant, Gen-The Colonel Commandant, General Sir Anthony Farrar-Hockley, and officers. The Parachute Regiment held a reception last night at the Fishmongers' Hall, London on the occasion of the unveiling of a portrait of the Prince of Wales, their Colonel-in-Chief, by the Secretary of State for Defence, Mr John Nott. Miss June Mendoza, the artist, was present.

British Association of Industrial Editors at the Savoy Hotel, London, on February 22.

A memorial service for Lady Hartwell will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, on The annual dinner for resident overseas and UK students of combined faculties was held at Combined ractifices was held at London House yesterday at the invitation of the governors, the Director of London House for Overseas Graduates and Lady Wilton and the staff. The chairman was Mr S. K. H. Goodenough and the principal great was Raymers Reported Formers Raymers Ray

Fruiterers' Company
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by
the Sheriffs, was the principal
guest at the annual livery dinner
of the Fruiterers' Company held
at Merchant Taylors' Hall yesterday. The speakers were the
Master, Mr Richard S. Gothard,
the Lord Mayor, Mr John J.
Wells, MP, the Duke of Atholi
and the clerk, Mr John C. Airey.
The guests included:
The Finnish Ambassador, the Chilesin
Ambassador, Viacount Massersene and
Fortard, Lord Denning, Lord Hunt the
City Chambertain, the Master the
masters and prime wardens of other
livery companies.

Company or Marketors
The 1982 marketing address was given last night by Sir Freddie Laker at a dinner held at the Stationers Hall by the Company of Marketors. The Master, Mr Delwyn Dennis, presided and the Senior Warden, Lord Mais, also spoke. Among those present were:

Company of Chartered Account-ants in England and Wales
The Company of Chartered
Accetations in England and
Wales held a court dinner in the
Middle Temple Hall yesterday.
The Master, Mr. A. W. John,
presided, assisted by Mr. P. H.
Dobson, Senior Warden, and Mr.
M. R. Harris, Junior Warden.

Zoological Society of London

The marriage took place on January 22 in London and a service of blessing was held afterwards at Chelsea Old Church Of Longon

The Zoological Society of London has made the following awards for contributions to acology in 1981.

Scientific Medal: Professor MP Hassell, of Imperial College of Science and Technology, London and Dr. J. R. Krubs, of the Loward Grey institute-of Field Ornithology, Oxford University: Friak Medal for British Zoologists: Sir Eric Emith: Thomas Heary Hanley Award: Dr. N. R. Frents, of Leoda University: Stanford Raffles Award: Lioutenant-Colonel A. M. Emmet Drince Petitis Prints Jonathan Edward Greenland, of The Grammar School, Bristol; commended: Steven Petrick Ackland, of Bexley Grammar school.

round the 1,600-year-old The Queen of Spain at

the Outab Minar monu-ment, in Delhi, where she succeeded in mak-

iron pillar which, according to tradition, brings good fortune.

Rugby may raise £1/4m through sale of Turner

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Rugby School are to sell a miums. "We act on behalf of the seascape by J. M. W. Turner vendor", he said, " and vendors which was presented to them by prefer us to charge buyers' Dr T. W. Jex-Blake, the head-premiums than high vendors' master from 1874 to 1877, Sotheby's struounced yesterday. He emphasized that suctionmaster from 1874 to 1877, Sotheby's amnounced yesterday. It may earn the school more than £250,000. Sotheby's are estimating only £200,000 but "Wreckers on the Coast", a similar work, was sold for £310,000 in 1980.

The little painting, of about 1840, is entitled "Off Ramagate" and was among a group of: 1840, is entitled "Off Ramagate" and was among a group of: pictures owned by Mrs Booth, Turner's housekeeper and mistress, in whose arms he is reputed to have died. John. Pound, her son by an earlier marriage, sent it for sale at Christie's in 1865, when it was househed.

Christie's in 1865, when it was bought by Agnews and finally want to Dr Jez-Elake.

The announcement of the sale was made by Sotheby's yesterday at a lunch for the press. The occasion was clearly aimed at polishing up the company's image after the bettering it has received over the suction premium issue and the poor financial results announced at the end of the year.

M Graham Llewellyn, the new chief executive, was character-istically unrepentant on pre-

The March 30 sales will be a big event for admirers of abstract art: The 50 pictures, acquired between 1950 and 1970 by an nnamed continental collector, include Kandinsky's "Improvis-ation V", of 1914, which is expected to fetch £1m.

came to obtaining important properties for sale; he confirmed that Sotheby's had on occassion kept their vendors' commission

to zero to obtain important collections for sale.

A collection of twentieth-cen-

There is also Braque's "Argres et Viaduc a l'Estaque", of 1908, ahowing the artist progressing from a style built out of Ceanne towards cubism proper. It is estimated to sell for more than £500,000, as is Mondrian's "Composition in Grey Blue",

Church news

Retirements and resignation retire on January 31.
The Rev C J Hall, Vicar of Newbold Vergon, discuss of Leicenter, to retire y St. Rev M. J. Noti. Provest of the Church of St. Thomas of ry, diocyw of Portsmouth, in August St. Wall. Vicer of Syston. Lekesier. 10 resign on

The Ven C.W Borrell. Archdeacon of Stoke-on-Trent. and Priest in Charge of Sandon. diocese of Lichiteid. lo relire on July 51.

Commissions at Sandhurst

The following student officers at Sandhurst have successfully completed Post University Course 10. Their commissions are confirmed in the regiments or corps shown. .



J. C. Hopkins, L.G.; J. W. Hopkins, L.G.; J. W. Hopwood, R.E.; S. P. Huat, R. Shnais, S. G. James, R.A.; D. Jefferles, Int. Corps.; M. W. Joynson, S.G., S. P. B. R. Huster, S. G. J. W. Hopwood, R.E.; S. P. Huat, R. Styles, R. L. H. R. Lawford, R.A.; F. J. Longley, R.F.; J. H. R. Lawford, R.A.; F. J. Longley, R.F.; J. H. R. Lawford, R.A.; F. J. Lingey, R.F.; J. H. R. Lawford, R.A.; F. J. H. Lawford, R.A.; P. M. H. Lawford, R.A.; P. M. H. Lawford, R. L. H. H. L. Parker, R. G. M. J. D. H. H. L. Parker, Column R. J. D. H. H. H. L. Parker, Column R. J. D. H. H. L. Parker, Column G. J. D. Page, Para; J. B. Parker, R. L. H. R. L. Parker, Column G. J. D. Page, Para; J. B. Parker, R. H. R. L. Parker, C. L. P. L. Parker, C. L. Parker, C

The Revd P G Cane. Vicar of Hyde. ordinglandge, diocese of Winchestor. The Royd D G Hoste, Vicar of The finiterbournes and Compton Valence, locerse of Salisbury, to resign on annary of the Property of Salisbury of Cast older and South Boddesley, diocres of finebaster, to retire on Audust 31. The Revid A J. Lee, year or Landouire and South Boddesley, doncers of Inchester, to reflect on August 31.

The Revid P D May, Vicar of etherbury with Solway, Ash and ertur of Stoke Abboit, docease of Hisbory, to refler on April 30.

Canon C i Prillit, Rector of St. Peter and St. Paul, Chingford, diocease of helmsford, to refler on July 31.

The Revid K E C Williams, Vicar of Zalton-te-Soken, diocease of helmsford, to refler on July 31.

From The Times of Saturday, January 26, 1957
RUSSIAN SPY TING IN US
New York, Jan 25.— The Federal
Bureau of Investigation arrested
here today three persons alleged
to be members of a "highly
organized" Russian spy ring that
had been in operation for "at
least 10 years". The arrested
persons were Jack Soble, his wife
Myra Persaya Soble, and Jacob
Albam, all middle-aged residents
of this city. They were arraigned
before a United States commissioner who ordered them to
be held in \$100,000 bail each
pending a hearing on February 1.
The FBI accused them of
"conspiring to receive and obtain lanuary 26, 1957

Moreover . . . Miles Kington

Like any able-bodied jour-nalist, I am busy working on a book about Princess Diana. solar system that was not quickly.

The New Solar System (edited by Beatty, O'Leary and Chaikin, published by Cambridge Press, £9.95) is such a book. It discusses our present knowledge of the whole system, incorporating the contributions of space craft up to the Voyager I encounter with It will be called the Princess Diana Cook Book and should make me a fortune — I only wish I could pass on some of the money to her, but delicacy forbids. contributions of space craft up to the Voyager I encounter with Saturn in November, 1980, with the possibility of a second edition including Voyager II. It is written clearly, but some of it is rather involved and requires of the reader some acceptific background. It is profusely illustrated, and the pictures and diagrams are so fully captioned that they almost tell the story on their own. Unfortunately, like many experts on Princess Diana, I have not had the benefit of

have not had the benefit of actually meeting her, so my recipes at the moment are somewhat restricted to obvious items like Quick Venison Dinner for 500, Brown Windsor Soup, Buckingham 'n' Veal Pie, etc. With only enough ideas to fill With only enough ideas to fill 20 pages, I was enormously relieved therefore to read in The Times on Monday the

following item:—
"The Prince of Wales bought a 10p in of baked beans and a mango for £1.50 at a school fair in Brixton, south London, on Saturday and told pupils: The Princess

enormous amount of new recipes, of which the following are a tiny selection. Beans and Mango on Toast 1 tin of baked beans

the beans gently in a pan and cut the peeled mango into dice. Pour the beans over the toast, add the mango chunks and serve immediately. Enough for one, or for two, if one is not very hungry. Glaret Boast Chicken, . . . Brixton Style 2 tins baked beans

2-3 mangoes 1 roasting chicken

A wonderful new way to make roast chicken exoti-cally different. Simply stuff the chicken with as many beans as possible (you may have to sew up the entrance to prevent bean overspill) and roast in the normal way. The tomato-based sauce from the beans will mingle with the chicken juices to make a ielicious gunge. Half an hour before serving, place strips of mango across the chicken, then baste frequently. A good mango costs anything from £1.50 at a Brixton school fair down to 80p at Harrods.

Veal, Yam and Egg Pie

A personal favourite of the Princess's, this is a tasty variation on the more conventional beans on toast. Grill the bread lightly on both sides. Meanwhile, warm the beans gently in a pan and cut the peeled mango into dice. Pour the beans over the special convention of a factory, while on a Highland fishing expedition a block of veal, yam and egg pie makes very good hait, or would stun a good hait, or would stun a good bait, or would stun a trout with one blow. Serve with cold beans and

> If, like me, you often find yourself with lots of left-over beans and mangoes, here is a handy tip for using them up. Put the beans in the liquidizer and make them into a purée. Add the mango bits and amalgamate them with the bean purée till you have a wonderfully maroon mixture tinged with green. Leave for an hour or so until it is beginning to set, then simply stuff it into the crevice, wall cracks or masonry fault that needs treating. When dry, it can be sanded and painted. It's also perfect for plastering, draught-proofing windows or hand-thrown pottery.

OBITUARY

DR COLIN KRAAY Important work on Greek and Roman coins

and with emphasis at first, on Athens and south Italy. Nor did he yet abandon his first

love, Roman coinage, on which he contributed work of primary importance.

Krazy was, by nature, energetic, cheerful sympathetic and sociable; and he had become a clear-signed administrator, with qualifies recognised by the construction part he played street.

tive part he played after his election in 1965 as Fellow of the newly founded Wolfsin

College, which became the focus of his genial hospitality

and of which he was to serve

as Vice-gerent in 1971-3. The same qualities led to

his election as President of the Royal Numismatic Society (1970-4) and of the Centro Internazionale di Studi Numismatici at Naples (1974-9).

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His purely academic distinction, made clear beyond doubt by the comprehensive sweep and judicious freatment of his Archaic, and Classical Greek Coins (1976), which reflected some twenty years of deep thought and constructive research, was acknowledged by his election in 1978 as Fellow of the British Academy. His owner

British Academy. His output

in later years included much else. He contributed substan-

tially to the Sylloge Nummi-rum Graecorum, writing a series of Ashmolean fasci-cules single-handed; he was a major collaborator in the important Inventory of Graecorum

important Inventory of Greek Coin Hoards (1973); and he

wrote very many of the contributions to the Italian fascicule of the revised Historia Numorum planned

and begun by Robinson, and

now nearly complete.

Besides all this, however,

local numismatic or archaec-

logical society to give an illustrated talk and to arouse

interest and enthusiasm. And

in the Ashmolean Coin Room his influence on the pupils

who sought his guidence was

invariably strong and pro-ductive: he would spare no effort to help them. He was recently awarded the medal of the American Numisman.

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European Cultural History at Warwick University. Dr Colin Krasy FSA, FBA, that new techniques of day br Colin Kraay FSA, FBA, who died yesterday at the age of 63, was one of that number of classical numismatists who, based upon a sound knowledge of Greek sound knowledge of Greek were now followed an increase. Mr Maurice Longson, BSc. MD(Manchester), honorary lec-turer in virology in the univer-sity, consultant virologist in the sity, consultant virologist in the North Manchester Regional Virus Laboratory, the Manchester Royal Infirmary and Booth Hall Children's Hospital, and consultant virologist to the Manchester Public Health Laboratory Service, has been appointed Professor of Virology. The Chair was previously held by Emeritus Professor T. S. L. Beswick. and Roman history, were now followed an increasing nurtured and trained by teaching and experience in the Heberdeen Coin Room at the Ashmolean Museum in the Ashmolean Museum in Stream of the Centuries E.C. recent decades. His special and widely recognized contri-bution as a scholar lay in his studies of ancient Greek coinage.

Professor T. S. L. Beswick.

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(Grants Born on March 23, 1918, the son of C. A. Kraay and the grandson on his mother's side of Sir Bertram MacKennal Kraay, designer MacKennal Kraay, designer of the effigy for the coinage of King George V. Colin MacKennal Kraay was educated at Lancing College and Magdalen College, Oxford, of which he was an exhibitioner, reading Literae Humaniores, interrupted from 1940-1945 by war service ending in Italy. vice ending in Italy.
From an early age he had

Sir Edward) Robinson from

Lecturer, thereby continuing the tradition, then current in

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Stimulated at all stages by Robinson, Krany mastered the essential theories and the

complex structure of Greek coinage with confident deter-

Harry Golombek writes:

the future of English chess

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Numismatics, Kraay succeeded in 1959 as University pleasure in visiting some

coinage with confident deter— Kraay married Marging mination that did not, how- (Peggy) Prince in 1945, there ever, prevent his realising is one son of the marriage:

IAN WELLS

With the death of Ian In that year, too, he defeated Wells at Rio De Janeiro on January 25 at the age of 17, Alexander Kotov in a short

shown deep interest in archaeology (especially Egyp-tology) and in numismatics; and after his final schools in 1947, he made close contact with the Ashmolean Coin Room as a base for his D Phil thesis on the bronze coinage of Galba, in which he showed the future qualities of his the future qualities of his expertise in a remarkably exact die-study of this difficult: series. In the same period he won the Barclay Head Prize for Ancient Numismatics (1948) and the Conington Prize (1951) and soon, while working parttime in the Coin Room (gaining thereby a sound knowledge of its collections), he was also acting as lecturer in Professor Brian Leonard Clark

University news

Manchener

St Andrew's
The Gifford lecturer for 1982-83
is to be Professor Donald G.
Charlton, chairman of the
Department of French Studies
and of the Graduate School of

Professor Brian Leonard Clark-son, Professor of Vibration Studies in the Institute of Sound and Vibration Research and Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Sou-thampton University, has been appointed Principal of the University College of Swainsea from October 1, 1982, in succession to Professor Robert W, Steel. of its collections), he was also acting as lecturer in Ancient History at Wadham and Keble Colleges.

In 1952 he was finally established as Assistant Keeper in the Ashmolean Coin Room, becoming Senior Assistant Keeper in 1962 and Keeper in 1975; with the retirement of E.S.G. (Jater Sir Edward) Robinson from

W. Steel.
Honorary degrees are to be conferred upon the following:
MA: Mr John Handel Clement,
Mrs Eluned Ellis Jones, and Mr Arthur Rees Rowlands.
LLD: Dr David Geraint James,
Mr Robin Huws Jones, Mr John
Gareth Thomas, and Mr Merfyn
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Lloyd Turner.
DSc: Mr James Anthony Gafney,
Dr Kenneth Fitzgerald Stanislaus
King, Professor Emeritus WilBam Woolf Mushin, and Colone H. Morrey Salmon. DScEcon: Mr Edgar Joues.

The Ellis Griffith Memorial prize for 1981 for the best recent work in Welsh has been won by Mr Hywel Teifi Edwards.

Birthdays today



Mr Arthur Rubinstein,

the pianist, who is 95. Mr Mikhail Baryshnikov, 34; Sir Oliver Chesterton, 69; Major-General W. A. F. L. Fox-Pitt, 86; Miss F. J. Gumley, 27; Mr J. D. Hughes, 55; Professor Lucy Mair, 81; the Rev B. R. White, 46; Lord Windlesbam, 50.

25 Years Ago

"conspiring to receive and obtain documents, writings, photographic negatives, and notes of things connected with the national defence of the United States" and to transmit them to Russia or to Russian

has suffered its heaviest loss since 18 year old Gordon Crown died under an oper-ation in 1947. Oddly enough, In 1980 he tied for first place in the Robert Silk Young Masters Tournsman both came from Lancashire, Crown from Liverpool and Wells from Morecambe. Ian Wells was born on June in London and also won the 22, 1964 and his chess playing

Lloyds Bank Jersey International Open Tournament
In 1981 he draw with Tony career began at the age of ten when he became winner of the Morecambe Club Cham-pionship and holder of the unofficial English Under 11 Miles in the Arc Young Masters Tournament at Westergate and obtained the title of FIDE Master at the Benedictine Tournament in Championship.

The following year he was winner of the London Under

qualified for the British years, would Chempionship, scoring six great master.

SIR ERIC DE NORMANN

January 25 at the age of 88, was Deputy Secretary at the Ministry of Works from 1943 until his retirement in 1954.

He was the son of Albert de Normann of an ancient Jersey family, and Irene Wood. He was born on December 26, 1893, and educated at the Château du Rosey in Switzerland and at University College of South University College of South Wales. He served with dis-tinction in the First World War and was mentioned twice in dispatches. He entered the Office of Works in 1920, and with an interval at the Imperial Defence College, by successive steps reached the position which he held at his retirement. He was made a C.B. in 1941 and a K.B.E. in De Normann was a man of

great general accomplishment and a linguist with a wide knowledge of foreign cultures and literatures. His wide knowledge of foreign for England 1955-64.

cultures and literatures. His special province at the Ministry was the upkeep of public buildings, ancient and modern, and the London parks died in 1968.

Sir Eric de Normann, were his special interest and K.B.E., C.B., who died on care. There was nothing January 25 at the age of 88, bureaucratic in his make-weight

Away from the office, hi hobby was his own garded. He was for many years well-known member of the Athenaeum and the founder there of a loosely composed gathering of "The Soft"; where after luncheon good talk and good fellowship made a pleasant break in the day's work and where de Normann's genial and astringent humour was seen aris

He was chairman of the Ancient Monuments Board

: MRS DAVID LEWIS

ity Hall, Southport and was the widow of David Lewis JP, who died in 1942. Her early life was much involved with educational work in Stafford-

pathy for all young people She leave and was a Life Governor of daughter.

Mrs David Lewis died on the National Childrens Home January 22 in her 96th year. She was for many years The daughter of the Rev member of the Methods Henry Babb, Mildred Clarissa Education Committee and Lewis was educated at Trin-Governor of Southlands and ity Hall, Southport and was Westminster, the two Medic dist teacher training college She will particularly it

remembered for her vice presidency of the Methodis Conference in 1948 and the first woman to hold the position.

She leaves two sons and

KENSINGTON PALACE:
January 27: The Duke of Gloucester this morning opened the Cannock Chase District Council Offices and Stafford

A memorial service for Rodney Honor Maingot will be held on Thursday, February 25, 1982, at the Priory Church of Saint-Bartholomew the Great at noon. Lieutenant Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

Mr E. R. Severin and Miss S. M. Edwardes

Captain D. S. Bateson, RE, and Miss A. C. Burley, WRAF.

The engagement is announced between Rex R. Gregory, of Theodors, by Hatch, and P. L. M. Bowrs, of Bewley House, Ightham, widow of Brigadist E. V. Bowrs, RE.

Mr P. A. Hubbard and Miss M. F. Humphry

as maps and almanacs are mentioned. Another source of information will be mentioned

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Dr R. C. Owen and Miss J. A. Crosse

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of the late Mr A. R. W. Owen and Mrs. Owen, of Rottingdean, Sussex; and Julis, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs. C. R. Crosse, of

Dowdeswell, Gloucestershire.

of Mr John Bentley, only son of the late Mr John Ransome Bentley and of Mrs John Baker, Bentlay and of Mrs John Baker, of Braemore Road, Hove, Sussex, and Miss Katherine Susan Percy, elder daughter of Mr Gerald Percy, of Horstead House, Norwich, Norfolk, and of the Marchioness of Bute, of Mount Stuart, Rothessy, Isle of Bute. The Rev C. E. Leighton Thomson officiated.

The marriage took place or December 30, 1981, at Chelses Register Office between Mr W W. Vowler and Mrs E. Gunnell

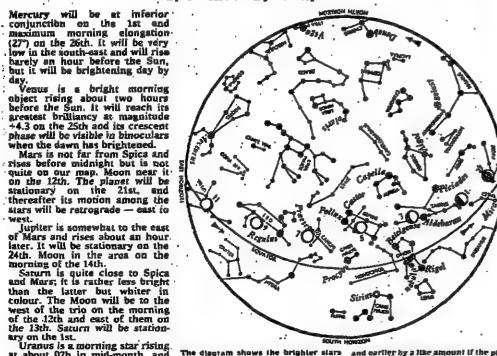
The service of blessing was held at the church of St Barnabas, Kensington, on January 16, 1982.

officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by her younger sister, Miss Diana Percy. Mr William Fielding was best man.

A reception was held at the Hyde Park Hotel and the honeymoon is being apent in Fulford; Renter Warden: Mr Harold M. Arthur.

The Night Sky in February Mercury will be at inferior conjunction on the 1st and maximum morning elongation (27°) on the 26th. It will be very low in the south-east and will rise barely an hour before the Sun, but it will be brightening day by



at about 02h in mid-month, and Neptune is also a morning star rising about two hours later. The Moon: first quarter, 1d14h; full, 8d08h; last quarter, 15d20h;

Algol: approximate times of evening minima are 15d22%h and 18d19%h date" book including the latest event — another space shot for instance — is out of date almost by the time it reaches the shops. Readers of this column who have is monthly feature is intend-It is monthly teature is intend-ed to help the reader to study the night sky, and in general deals only with objects or events that he can see for himself. Advances in the science of astronomy can be found elsewhere. This column is not intended either for book reviews, though from time to time sources of information such as mans and almanes are been following developments, particularly over the Moon and planets, must have accumulated quite a library by now.

At the moment there is a lull in new projects (other than the space shuttle, which is not primarily astronomical) and the next important event is the astronomers have accumulated enough data to keep them busy for some time, and now is an opportunity for a book on the

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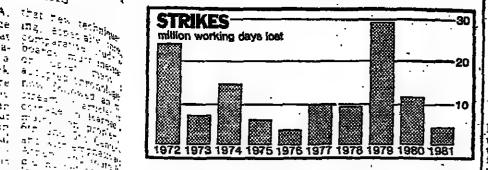
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BUSINESS NEWS



The number of working days lost through strikes last year was 4.2 million, the Employment Department said yesterday. This is less than a third of the 13 million average over the previous decade and, apart from 1976 when only 3.3 million days were lost, represents the lowest yearly total since 1967. The number of strikes in 1981 is provisionally put at 1,280, down from 1,330 in 1980 and the lowest recorded since 1941. The Civil Service dispute alone accounted for a quarter of the days lost. A miners' strike and four stoppages in the car industry accounted for a further 15 per cent.

Romania to seek aid

Romania is expected shortly to seek the aid of its western bankers in restructuring its debt. Bankers in West Germany believe that the authorities in Bucharest are at present working with representatives of the International Monetary Fund on a declaration of intentions that could be published either this week or next. The bankers stress that Romania is unlikely to follow Poland's example and seek a thorough-going rescheduling of its debts. But it is thought to want a partial restructuring to eliminate a bulge in repayments due over the next few months.

Greek oil takeover

Greece's Socialist Government has announced its decision to begin talks with Exxon Corporation for the transfer of its Salonika oil refinery and related petrochemical industries which are to be placed under the control of the Greek state. Mr Sakis Peponis, the Minister of Industry, who claimed that the American owners had "responded willingly" to the Government's request said this takeover would not set a preedent for government policy towards other oil refineries.

Tobacco price rise Gallaher, Britain's second

largest tobacco manufacturer whose leading brands are Benson and Hedges and Silk Cut, is raising all its prices on February 8 with cigarettes increasing by 2p for a packet of 20. This is in line with increases already amounced—also applying from February 8— Imperial Tobacco. ry 8 — Imperial Tobacco, part of Imperial Group, which is the largest manufacwhich is the largest manufacturer. Other manufacturers surplus in the fiscal year are expected to come into line before the Budget. Budy be \$9,500m,

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West Germany turned in a record when Germany turned in a record surplus of DM4,900m, on its current account balance of payments last month, according to provisional figures released by the Federal Statistics Office. The countries visible trade balance was also in surplus to the tune of DM5,100m after DM3,900m in November and Optober's November and DM5,300m surpling

responded by marking up Norcros aharss 5p to 102p.
On the bid front, Huntley & Pakmer lost 5p to 108p on rumours that Alfed Lyons had

disposed of its 5 per cent stake and would not be making a rival bid to the Rowntree offer. Allied Lyons shares were up 3½p at

MARKET SUMMARY

Reflections on the Union

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FT index 568.9 unchanged FT Gifts 64.25 up 0.45 FT all-share 326.42 up 0.69

in an easier market after the previous day's rally a bearish view on interest rates from the senior managing director of Union Discount held equities back leaving the market which closed with the FT index unchanged at 568.9 after being up 3.6 at 1 pm.

The gilt market reflected President Reagan's State of the Union address with longs 2% down at the close and short dates closing unchanged.

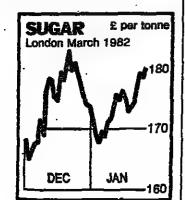
Glaxo fell more sharply than other leading stocks, dropping 10p to 470p after adverse press comment. Elsewhere, leading industrials ended mixed, with BAT down 2p to 388p, GUS up 2p to 505p and Lucas 1p off at 223p. Lucas Industries with figures due and fears in the market of a rights lasue was the subject of a bearish circular from brokers Savory Milln.

Buildings were in demand, and Buildings were in cemand, and there were a number of notable gains. BPB Industries improved 18p to 364p, Rugby was up 2p to 90p, and Redland was up 8p at

Hygena operation after five years of losses and attempts at cost cutting was small comfort to its 640 employees but the market

COMMODITIES

 Buoyed by reports of a poor Soviet beet crop and by agreement between the International Sugar Agreement and the European Community on cane prices, sugar held its recent gains. March contract rose by almost £2 to £180.325 a tonne.



 In a tight technical market, cash tin traded at more that £8,800 a tonne, a record, before ending the day at £8,772,50. The backwardation widened further, three months tin fetching £8,030,50, as speculators tried to cover their positions ahead of meeting obligations due at the beginning of February.

TODAY

Energy trends man of the vear

Fewer strikes last year | Edwardes sees BL on road to recovery

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Loss-making British Leyand is firmly set on the road to recovery, will make a trading profit in 1983 and from then onwards will need no further injections of taxpayers' money, Sir Michael Edwardes, chairman, told MPs yesterday.

Delivering the most opti-mistic set of forecasts since misic set of forecasts since taking over at the ailing motor group, Sir Michael disclosed to the Commons Select Committee on Industry and Trade that the company had completed negotiations this week for a

negotiations this week for a series of private sectror bank loans totalling £277m.

The money, which will supplement the £990m of state funds pumped in by the Government for 1981 and 1982 and will help to pay for BL's re-equipment and new model programme, over the model programme over the next two years, reflected the growing confidence of the banks for the company's recovery strategy, Sir Michael said.

The latest loans, - among the largest to be negotiate by BL — are with a group of six United Kingdom and four North American banks. They are for repayment over the next 8 to 10 years and the banks have not insisted on United Kingdom Government guarantees. Sir Michael said the deal had been struck at "very competitive" interest He added that reduc-

dancies already announced affecting 5,000 cars group workers and 4,100 in the truck division which are to be implemented this year would reduce the United Kingdom workforce to about 87,000 and bring to an end the heavy erosion of the company. The over-manning in our business will no longer exist at the end of this year and we will then be dealing with straight market forcest. forces.

Recruitment of new workers could begin as new models were produced, particularly the LM10 saloon in 1983. This year, a total of 10 new cars and Land Rover models would be introduced. Sir Michael; making his

isst appearance at the select commutee before his contract with BL expires at the end of the year, said the company would need all the £990m and a further £150m of state cash for 1983-85 which had yet to be approved. But if they were successful in breaking even, the cash

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Sir Michael: optimistic mood

needs from Government of investment reached this showed "a heavily diminish, year. This is to be financed ing burden on the taxpayer." by internally generated funds He added: "In 1983 we will be and the bank loans as well as

loss being made by the troubled truck division. Sir Michael said that a significent increase in performance and productivity in the cars group had reduced the losses of BL Cars in 1981 by £100m but this had been offset by the deficit in commercial BL is sticking to its 1983

break-even forecast although in the 1982 corporate plan, the directors lowered their profit expectations for the 1982-85 period by £300m. Sir Michael said balancing the books in 1983 would depend on there being no big

exchange rate fluctuations and no serious labour disruptions. Capital spending for 1982-

S6 is forecast to be £1,439 Jimny is the be with "unprecedented" levels type in Japan.

free-standing." state aid. The company also The one big concern in the hopes to raise £15-£20m in company is the continuing the next two years from the sale of fringe activities fol-lowing the £75m it has realized from disposals in realized from disposals in 1980 and 1981.

Sir Michael also praised workers in the cars group for more than 100 per cent. Meanwhile, Japan's Suzuki

Meanwhile, Japan's Suzuki motor company said in Tokyo yesterday it had reached basic agreement with La Rover Santana of Spain to make and sall Suzuki's Jimny, a mini four-wheel drive vehicle. Industry sources said Suzuki would use the Spanish facility, partly owned by BL, as a springboard into Europe. The Jimny is the best seller of its type in Japan.

Terry Thomas, Co-op Bank's joint general manager.

Customers will have a normal cheque book and cheque guarantee card ad will be eligible for personal loans, budget accounts and deposit services in the usual way. "We want to encourage people who want to transfer all their business from another bank or building society to First Co-operative" Mr Thomas added.

springs £18 surprise charge

By Lorna Bourke To obtain free banking,

holders of the Co-operative holders of the Co-operative Bank's new interest — bearing current accounts will have to maintain an average credit balance of £180 a year to cover the annual flat service charge of £18. This is at the current interest of 10 per cent. Customers of Barclays and

maintain a minimum credit balance of £50 to qualify for free banking whilst Lloyds and Midland require amini-mum balance of £100. Such current accounts do not, at present, pay interest.

Terms of the new Cheque and Save scheme from First Co-operative, the finance house subsidiary of the Co-op Bank, were announced yes-

Interest will be payable on the account, calculated on a daily basis from the publish notional interest rate. There will be a deduction from this interest of £1.50 a month or £4.50 a quarter as a service charge to cover the cost of processing the cheques. The current notional interest rate

charge is a flate rate and remains the same irrespec-tive of the number of cheques written.

When Co-op announced the

new interest-bearing account

before Christsmas, it was talking in terms of charging 18 to 20p for each cheque, and the flat charge comes as a surprise. The other High Street banks charge between but maintain that the true cost of processing a cheque Barclays introduced last September, for cashing the cheques of its competitors. First Co-operative has re-ceived several thousand inquiries about its new account, which will be avail-

last year's biggest increase in productivity in BL's history.

1. "We expect other financial institutions to follow our The performance at Lou-gbridge had improved by more than 100 per cent. institutions to follow our innovation by introducing similar services" said Mr Terry Thomas, Co-op Bank's

aimed at a wider audience.

The Chancellor may have scope to give modest tax

cuts, amounting to about £1,000m, in the Budget with-

out pushing government

borrowing above target. But this is less than many Tory "wets", including a handfull in the Cabinet, would like

In a stout defence of

Government policy during

the last three years, Mr. Lawson blamed much of

today's economic troubles on

the Keynesian policies of

earlier governments, and fiercely attacked the Govern-

ment's Keynnesian critics. He said they had predicted

that the recession would

intensify as a result of the

£4,000m of tax increases the

was not contractionary and that some recovery would follow and events had vindi-

If the Government's critics

had been right, the modest recovery now takong place could never have occurred, he asserted.

cated his view.

Co-op bank | Grand Met sells £30m hotel chain

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor Sir Maxwell Joseph's and the Berni Inns were not Grand Metropolitan group is involved and are not included selling virtually all its re- in the sale. gional hotels — among them But expansion of the the Elizabethan Falcon at county hotels chain, which Stratford upon Avon to the includes three four-star Queens Moat Houses chain hotels and 16 three-star

for £30m.

The deal, subject to consome £30m over three to four tract, is expected to be years, Mr John Travers substantially in cash, with Clarke, chief executive of the Grand Metropolitan getting a Queens Moat stake of around Moat and County together 7 per cent which it expects to make a more sensible unit hold as a growth stock.

The 26 provincial hotels in Grand Metropolitan's County Hotels division will more than double the size of Queens Moat, an expanding chain based at Romford, Essex whose chairman and joint managing director is Mr John Bairstow.

The sale makes no change the right degree the last few years and putting them under the Moat House

The sale makes no change them under the Moat House to Grand Metropolitan plans banner. It currently has 24 ins service the provide the contraction of the cont

already announced to sell up to ten of its 19 London than 1,500 bedrooms. It also hotels. That decision followed the buying from Pan Am of the Intercontinental chain. Grand Metropolitan is amounts to 1,874 bedrooms, already negotiating with a number of potential buyers for some of its London properties.

Grand Metropolitan originally contemplated expansion of its provincial chain. A the Viking, at York, Europa comparitively small number Lodges at Oxford, West of Metropolitan's brewing arm upon Tyne,



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M-Foffers leasing on new tractor models

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company in conjunction with the company's share of the world market from its present 16 per cent and maintain the group's Coventry plant as the biggest tractor manufac-turing unit in the western

world.
The anticipated success of the new range is, however, not expected to offset the redundancies the group may seek this year. Already the

workforce at Coventry has been reduced over the last two years by 1,000 to 5,000. Massey-Ferguson, like the other principal manufac-turers of tractors in the world (Ford, John Deere, International Harvester, Fiat and David Brown), has been fighting to maintain a share in a contracting market.
The market in the United

Kingdom in 1981 shrunk by about 50 per cent in comparison to the mid-1970s, from about 40,000 units to 20,000. In North America the annual In North America the annual rate of tetail sales in the industry dropped by 40 per cent in 1980 compared to that of 1979. In Europe the market dropped by over 30 per cent compared to what it had been in the mid-1970s. The contraction in the

market has been due to general recession, high interest rates and a trend in the western world for farmers to purchase fewer tractors but with greater horse power. The average tractor now sold in the United Kingdom is about 80 hp in comparison to 50 hp in company, ir Barclays Bank, which will allow farmers to lease. It is expected to be operational from February 1. Massey-According to

Ferguson, over the past five years the demand for lease finance has grown considerably as more farmers have recognized the cost and tax

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The competition for the tractor business, particularly in Third World countries, has intensified in recent years. Even in the United Kingdom the competition is consider-able. Over 30 manufacturers are competing in Britain, offering a range of over 300 different units. Only five of different units. Only five of these manufacture in the United Kingdom on a large scale. They are Massey-Ferguson, Ford, International Harvester, David Brown and Leyland, which has sold out to Marshall of Gainsborough.

The Third World countries have been hit by the increasing cost of energy which in turn has reduced

which in turn has reduced their purchasing power for agricultural equipment. These overseas markets are crucial to the tractor manufacturers.
Out of a 1980 turnover of
£556.9m, Massey-Ferguson
exported £428.3m worth of equipment.

The company has plants in Italy, Brazil, Argentina and Detroit as well as associated companies in India, Libya, Morocco and Peru, with Morocco and Peru, with licensed operators in 14 other

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Kitchen furniture maker's dramatic decline in trading

640 jobs axed as Hygena shuts down the higher end of the market.

CURRENCIES

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The dollar, easir initially on interest rate considerations, rallied in the afternon. The pound touched \$1.8810 before failing back, it gained ground against

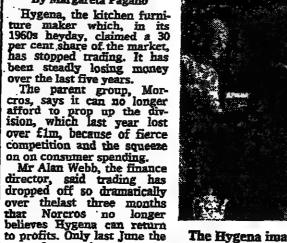
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MONEY MARKETS

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The Hygena image: dream kitchens hit hard times

recent years. Last year another 300 jobs were exed employees at Kirkby on and production concentr Merseyside, one of the coun- on the one site at Kirkby. and production concentrated Mr Webb explained that ployment. Mr Webb said Hygena's order book had there were no plans to sell tailed off to only a few days' the business but they were work. "We have made every

mounting losses the work- not justify the level of force, has been cut back over ongoing investment required recent years. Last year to continue operations." The group will not disclose

the extent of losses over the last five years but they are substantial and Hygena is believed to have last made money in 1973. At its peak the group had sales of £26m not abandoning the Hygena effort to make Hygena profitable but projections are that and was one of the first losses would continue to market leaders with self-asployed over 2,000 but, with increase this year. This does sembly kitchen furniture at its

With sales of kitchen furniture tailing off generally, the group has had to contend with flat-pack kits, now estimated to take 80 per cent of the £500m market. Imports from German and French competitors have also presented problems.

News of the closure, which

the City regards as not soon enough, saw Norcros shares gain 31/2p to 1051/2p. With estimates for Hygena's closure and redundancy costs of some £2.5m for the present year, the group's results have been downgraded to £23.5m.

BELGIUM

EEC commission imposed a provisional anti-dumping duty of 29.2 per cent on imports of oxalic acid from Czechoslovakia and China. The commission was acting on a complaint from the European Council of Chemical Manufacturers' Federations of dumping by China and three East bloc countries. However, the commission exempted Hungary and East Germany from

investigation

Raeburn Investment Trust plc Year ended 30th November

Value of net assets £60,027,953 £57,375,022 £3,323,450 Gross revenue £3,492,340 Per 25p Stock unit: -Net asset value 215.1p Earnings 6.94p

The Chairman, Mr. S.G. Brooksbank, comments:

Dividend -

Franked income rose slightly, in spire of dividend cuts by several companies in the portfolio, while unfranked income rose from £737,000 to £963,000. Deposit interest received and interest paid combined to offset the improvement in investment income. The net result was that earnings per share declined from 6.94p to 6.90p. This also partly reflected a change of emphasis giving higher priority to capital growth. In these circumstances a full distribution of earnings is recommended.

The company's net asset value per share rose by 4.42% which compares with a rise in the All-Share Index of 2.56%. Results achieved in the USA and Japan were well above the local indices even before adjusting for currency movements. Raeburn is retaining a reasonable margin of liquidity and this together with its undrawn loan facilities, provides considerable flexibility to take advantage of any favourable opportunities. Raebum's policy is to achieve above average capital appreciation and satisfactory dividend growth.

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from the Secretaries, Lazard Brothers & Co. Limited, 21 Moorfields, London EC2P 2HT.

p Meurwhile Hopkinsons Holdim By Philip Robinson and Paul Maidment were up 5p at 112p on rumours of a builish circular from brokers Capel Cure Myers. RTZ attracted support after it announced it now Feers that some financial support for Associated Communications Corporation had more than 70 per cent of Thos W Ward and the shares could be withdrawn this week were up 12p at 449p. Ward ahares put on 3p to 231p while Tunnel closed unchanged at has led Mr Robert Holmes à Court's Bell Group to give Lord Grade's former empire Tunnel closed unchanged at 550p, atili awaiting terms from £10m worth of standby credit. Bankers have already refused to continue £3m Union Discount Jumped 15p to 453p following a 21 per cent Improvement in profits with Gerard and National up 18p to 267p in

worth of loans. The credit line is part of Mr Holmes a Court's rescue cautious chairmen's statement accompanying half-year figures left Associated Dairies 4p down at 140p. Somportex rallied 15p to 90p after yesterday's ments empire for which he is bidding £36m. His offer is being challenged by Mr being challenged by Mr Gerald Ronson's Heron Cordepressing figures while further consideration of good figures earlier in the week boosted Rank poration which is offering £46m. ACC told shareholders ast night to do nothing on

earier in the water boosted Hank Organisation by 1p to 198p.
Shares of Queens Moat Houses were suspended 34½p, just 3p short of the high, following the purchase of 26 provincial hotels from Grand Metropolitan for £30m. The shares will be requoted the Heron bid. Heron is trying to stop Mr Holmes a Court pulling off a quick victory by means of a fligh Court injunction block-ing the transfer of ACC directors' voting shares to once the deal has been signed. Grand Metropolitan were up 1p to the Bell Group, Gareth David

Judgment on this "un-usually difficult case" will be given at 2 pm today. OTHER EXCHANGES

over the last five years.

group forecast improvements

this year, but estimates now

Redundancy notices were yesterday served on the 640

try's highest areas of unem-ployment. Mr Webb said

At one time Hygens em-

are for a larger deficit.

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£10m credit | Lawson attacks reflation lobby By Melvyn Westlake The content of the speech, which Mr. Lawson wrote himself, appeared to be

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Energy Secretary and one of the most uncompromising hawks in the Cabinet. j;sought yesterday to rally resistance to the mounting pressure for a reflationary Budget in March, Less than 24 hours before the Cabinet was due to discuss Budget strategy. Mr. Lawson poured scorn on the siren voices urging the Government to throw away all the hard-won gains by indulging in a big programme of reflation. Although Mr Lawson did not refer specifically to his own Cabinet colleagues, there are several who are known to be increasingly anxious about the level of unemployment and keen to see Sir Geoffrey Howe, the

Chancellor, give some boost to the economy. The rise in the jobless total to over three million has given a new force to their arguments. Mr Lawson was, however, undaunted by the lengthening dole queues. The Govern-ing dole queues. The Govern-ment was fighting a war against inflation, he said, and added: "In war, casualties are inescapable, they are neither intended, nor are they unexpected. They are a



nor incompetence. The object is quite simply to win the war while minimising the casualties incurred." Chancellor had imposed in the last Budget, at its depth. Mr. Lawson said he claimed at the time that the Budget. Energy Secretary

made it clear that the Government would not be deterred by the mounting jobless toll. There should be no doubt, he said, that the Government intended to stick to its course. He was addressing the Association of Econ-omic Representatives of





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Mr Nigel Lawson: rallying resistance to reflation.

Asda set to recapture its momentum

Investment income at cash-rich Associated Dairies Group has done most to rescue the Leedsbased company from another pedestrian profits performance (Derek Harris writes). The group's first-half pre-tax profits were up 25 per cent, it was revealed yesterday. But higher than expected trading profits from the superstores chain and the fresh food operation (mainly meat going largely through these thresh have also offer the 80 per stores) have also offset the 80 per cent plunge in profits from the beleaguered furniture and, especially, carpets division.

It could be the first bottom-line sign that the Asda superstores division, pioneer of the edge-of-town stores, is poised to fight the current ascendancy of J. Sainsbury. Asda as well as Tesco stores has been losing out to Sainsbury which has taken over the high-flyer role in grocery retailing which Asda enjoyed during the seventies and Tesco before that.

In the packaged grocery market Sainsbury currently has a share of 14 per cent, about a full percentage point ahead of Tesco with Asda at 8 per cent. Of the total food market — taking in the expanding fresh foods sector — the three probably have 20 per cent between them, with Sainsbury possibly having as much as 8 per cent.

It is axiomatic that a company concentrating on food, such as Sainsbury, is on a better base in recessionary times than multiples that have also gone for the higher-margin non-food items that have been hit by discretionary spend-ing effects. That is part of Tesco's profits performance problem as well as its well-known financing difficulties.

Until last year Asda in particular, looked as if it were suffering from being too fat: its manage-ment team was largely unchanged after the period of rapid and successful growth. It needed new blood and ideas — and got them last year in a big management shake-up in the natural break offered by the retirement of the highly regarded Mr Peter Fir-mston-Williams. The appointment of Mr John Fletcher (from the

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Oriel group at 38 years old) to succeed as managing director was one of five top management Asda relies by 23 per cent on changes.

Mr Fletcher, is a marketing man, signalling a new drive by Asda to sharpen up and make its marketing more flexible.

Even Asda's near-sacrosanct policy of a single national pricing policy has been modified, with limited promotional pricing creep-ing into six of its more than 80 stores. These are at Coventry and Aberdeen, But Mr Noel Stockdale, the Associated Dairies Group chairman, maintains that essen-tially the national pricing policy

It was this sign of more aggressive pricing which led to speculation that profits performance might suffer. But with volume in the stores and fresh food up possible 12 per cent in the first half the trading profit of

the non-food sector but according to Mr Stockdale trade here may well have been down only about 2 per cent on last year.

He is sanguine about profit margins in the superstores and sees no change there for the time being. He also has some expecbeing. He also has some expec-tations of a better second half given recovery from sales declines brought by the bad winter and even though lower interest rates may nibble at investment income. Furniture sales are at last improving and Mr Stockdale describe them as surprisingly good in the now fully rationalized Wades operation and the two London U-

Kay hypermarkets.
Sales at Allied Carpets await movement in the housing market and the summer is the earliest some real effects may come through, Mr Stockdale says.
After spending more than £50m in the last year on capital projects

including extensive store revamps Associated is in a good position to take advantage of an economic upturn. But Mr Stockdale is looking hard at the store investment programme because in the

much as a 10 per cent increase in dividend this year from the group which makes the present profits earning ratio of around 15 times look cheap. He expects a definite though not dramatic upward improvement although by no approaching that of Sainsbury at

12 months from next May the incidence of planning permissions could lead to 11 new stores being built, nearly twice Asda's normal annual rate. Only three have been opened in the current 12 months. "We might have to slacken this next year's programme," said Mr Stockdale. Even so Asda shows real signs of starting to get back again the momentum it had lost. At brokers Scrimgeour, Kemp-Gee analyst Mr John Hewitt is looking for as

around 23 times.



Mr Noel Stockdale: sanguine about profit margins.

DEPARTMENT STORES

Endangered species in the High Street

The recession and the acute. Most of the leading department squeeze on consumer spending store groups are concentrated in over the last couple of years is London, partly for historical forcing the pace of change in Britain's high streets. Most at risk are department stores, a steadily development of superstores much shrinking group whose ostrich- earlier in the day. Almost a third like approach to retailing and of the sales of House of Fraser failure to adapt to change is and Sears (dominated by its threatening to turn them into Selfridges store) are in London.

anachronisms. (Ronald Pullen

Meanwhile in a period of rapid

The writing has been on the wall for years but the failure rate has been accelerating over the past year. In London, a number of well-known names have disap-peared, including Whiteley's of Bayswater. Swan & Edgar has just shut its Piccadilly Circus doors and at this very moment Bournes (the old Bourne & Hollingsworth) is having its closing down sale.

Less well-known names else Less well-known names elsewhere in the country have also given up the ghost, particularly in the hard-hit Midlands, while the House of Fraser recently shocked Princes Street by closing its Edinburgh flagship, Jenners. The hig groups like Debenhams and House of Fraser are presently involved in a frantic race to change their retailing strategy to survive in the 1980s. survive in the 1980s.

The growth of superstores, led by the likes of Asda and Tesco, and the discount chains has taken more and more business away from department stores. The upshot has been a steady erosion in their share of total retail sales from just over 6 per cent in the early 1960s to probably under 5 per cent at the moment.

Office Furniture subsidiary,

its direct selling approach lessened the effects of adverse market conditions.

Two other subsidiaries, Band B Trailers and Beanstalk

Shelving, were hit by lower demand and the high level of

sterling and reported disap-

Plan change

Robert Fleming Investment

Instead it will consult key

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Three of Fleming's trusts with only a third of their assets in Britain were to have

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Montrose Investment Trust, London and Holyrood Trust,

Yesterday, Mr Ian Hender-

eral Trust Corporation.

about what to do with them.

FLEMING TRUSTS

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reasons and partly because the Midlands and the North saw the

Meanwhile in a period of rapid inflation department stores find their costs rising rather faster as a percentage of sales than the rest of the retailing sector. Wages, rates, lighting and so on all hit department stores below the belt and gross trading margins of typically 6-7 per cent are well below other non-food retailers.

For the pure department store concerns like Debenhams' and House of Fraser, a great deal of effort has been put into trying to change their staid image. Debenhams' profit record has been poor for so long that it was felt to be wide open to a bid and over the last two years has gone hell for leather for volume, and developed the idea of stores-within-stores, with some success, judging by its recent performance. The pressure has been on House of Fraser from Lonrho and its new management is trying desperately to squeeze a better return out of its assets.

To many outsiders there is little conviction that the quality of management is good enough to see department store groups through. So the main interest in investment terms lies in their asset backing, given the high proportion of freehold property in their portfolios, rather than hopes that they will get their trading formula right.

Department stores are also formula right.

particularly vulnerable during a It is hardly surprising then that recession. Because they concent Londo is trying to get its hands trate on high-priced goods, this is on House of Fraser or that the trate on nigh-priced goods, this is on House of Fraser or that the just the area of consumer spends stockmarket every so often gets ing that falls when the pressure is excited by rumours about take-or disposable incomes. In London overs for Bentalis of Kingston or their problems have been exacerbated by the sharp decline in the assets could be unlocked for tourist trade which provided such development purposes, a predator a welcome boost in the late 1970s.

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INTERNATIONAL

JAPAN

Japanese trading houses have rejected a Soviet request for a delay of up to six months in pay for millions of dollars in steel imports. Officials of C Itoh & Co. and other trading houses said the request for payment deferment was made by Promsyrioimport, the Soviet Union's state-run steel export and import corpor.
ation, on shipments of stanless steel products from
January to March.

Sony is to market a wallet sized black-and-white tele vision with a two-inch screen named Flat TV. It will go more sale on the domestic market next month and will sell for 54,800 yen (£128). It will be introduced to the United States market within this

NETHERLANDS

The Dutch seaso adjusted index of indu orders in hand rose 6.6 per cent to 97, base January 1978 in December from 31 in November, the central statistics office said.

UNITED STATES

General Motors may postpone by one or two years the proposed late 1984 debut of its two-passenger electric commuter car. GM also plans to decide in the spring whether to approve corporate funds to retool by mid to late 1984 a Pontiac division plant to manufacture the Pontiar

SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa's gold omputed to 656.9 tonnes in 1981, from 674.0 tonnes the prefrom 674.0 tonnes the previous year, the chamber of mines said. Expressed in imperial measure, production dropped from 21.569 million ounces to 21.121 million ounces. The drop in output is vainly the result of the lower grade of ore mined. Average grades slipped from 7.03 grams per ton in 1980 to aided design-systems, based on software developed by its parent 7.03 grams per ton in 1980 to around 6.92 grams per ton last year. Analysts expect production to rise signify during 1982, but output will be lower than in 1980. Notice of the control of company, Cambridge interactive Systems, and hardware designed by a number of specialist EIS Group: EIS Group and significant new mine capacity is scheduled to come a stream before 1984. Santi Africa's gold production Rubery Owen (Holdings) an-nounce that the trade and Africa's gold production reached a peak of 1,0004 tons in 1970.

KUWAIT

Kuwait will indirectly funding development of the North Sea through its owner ship of Santa Fe Indian national, the American enterior of the Ameri year by the Kuwait National Petroleum Corporatios. Santa Fe Minerals, the Bri tish subsidiary of Santa Es, has a 22.5 per cent stake in the North Halibut field, on block 211/18A, off the Scottish north east coast. The field is adjacent to, and believed to be a continuation of the Thistie field: Sants Fe Minerals also has 16.3 per cent of Thistie. North Hallbut has estimated recoverable reserves of 100m barrels, and Thistle reserves of 450m. The operator in both fields is the

BIDS AND DEALS

London and Scottish Marine Off's U.S. offshoot, Bates Oil, acquisition of production assets in Kansas, Louisiana and Texas for £15.5m, and for the participation in a new exploration venture in Texas, Louisiana and Montana. These deals will be imanced out of the Lasmo group's available funds.

Taken together with Leamo's existing US business, including the joint exploration venture with Mapoo in the Williston Basin of North Dakota, these deals will increase the value of Lasmo's oil and gas-production assets and exploration acreage in the US to a total of about £53m.

level of over 2,000 barrels per day. Further increases in production of both oil and gas are

Rediffusion Limited's offshoot, Rediffusion Simulation, acquired 20 per cent of the equity in a newly-formed com-puter graphics firm, Cambridge Interactive Systems (Products), for £125,000 cash. CIS (P) was established during 1981 to

oracis of Rubery Owen Hy-oraciics have been sold to Kontak Manufacturing, an off-shoot of EIS, for £420,000. CAPITAL MARKETS

Volvo of Sweden plans a onefor-five rights issue at 100kr. a £53m). Group profit for 1981 after financial Items, excluding Beljerinvest, rose to kr.1,410m, against kr.1,010m.

The Council of Europe formally

yield 10.2 per cent.

launched its DM125 bond issue yesterday morning. The terms were a maturity of 10 years, priced at 99.5 per cent with a 10 per cent coupon. Managed by Berliner Handels und Frankturter Bank, the yield was 10 per common to European markets, the bonds slipped about 1.2 points from the issue price to

British National Oil Corporation.

COMPANIES

Merriti Lynch's securities commission receipts fell by 9 per cent in 1982 to \$922m (£493). The company said, however, revenues from the extraordinary levels of 1980 was more than offset by substantial inceases in every other major revenue category. It had sharp profit improvements in its govrnment securities and international merchant bank subsidiaries. Net profits for 1981 reached \$202.9m on revenues of \$3,020m in 1980.

reporting a one per cent decline in 1981's net profits, said US petroleum earnings rose by 34 per cent, but foreign petroleum profits declined by 24 per cent. The US petroleum profits, which accounted for 52 Per cent of the worldwide total, were \$1,230m (£658m), against \$920m in

. Foreign petrol earnings fell to

the fourth quarter amounted to \$26m and were the main factor in the company reporting a fourth-quarter loss of \$16m, share, compared with a profit of \$43m, or \$1,00 a share, the

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Mr Michael Metz, of Oppenheimer and Co, said the market appears to be "shrugging off"
President Reagan's State of the Union address last night.

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become more volatile and less-easy to read. Mr Richard Petherbridge, senior managing director, stressed yester-day that the group's main business was very much concentrated now on provid-ing a market in liquid instruments, in other words in short-term instruments discountable at the Bank of England.
The group's resource base has again increased — to a Net disclosed profits at Union Discount rose from to December 31, thanks largely to the tax benefits obtained from setting up a

record level — but market conditions and the size of the Bank of England's operations obtained from setting up a in the markets meant that the leasing division.

As one of the City's size of the book varied considerably from day to discount houses, Union is not required to disclose its true profits. But the group said yesterday that pre-tax for the houses shortly, he did not see them as likely to payout of 7.142p.

The final dividend has gone up to 17p a share to give a week after a cautious half-full year distribution of 26p time statement, rosa 61p to 'did not follow their aptici-The group admits that it read the market wrong during the Spring and got holders' funds at the year- rowings down to

EUROTHERM INT. was significant. Profits were

current assets at £1,509m.

Flying high rate stocks, in which Union has always been a keen

The high-flying technology urotherm International, The proportion of Union's Eurotherm International, book held in short-dated Gilts which fell from stock market has, in any case, become favour when profits dropped steadily less over recent a year ago, looks set to years as the market has return to a glamour rating.



The shares, nervous last

against 23p. The group says that it has transferred 50 per cent of the tax relief on stocks. The temperature cent of the tax relief on stocks. The temperature leasing to inner reserves. A control group, based in further £1.5m has been Worthing, whose lifeblood is further £1.5m has been vivil products, has got bor-transferred to reserve. Share-rowings down to £2.9m, end stood at £26.7m and giving it a gearing ratio of 31 current assets at £1,509m. to the low 40s this year as it doubles capital expenditure to £3m, much of this going on a new \$2.7m (£1.437m) plant for its Eurotherm Corporation offshoot at Corporation offshoot at Reston Virginia. Dr Jack Leonard, in his

first year as chairman of the company, says profits for the current year should be significantly better after two years of disappointments.

Pre-tax profits for the year The group has eliminated to the end of October rose 36 losses at its French company per cent to £3.2m on a and has performed well in turnover up from £24m to the United States and Ger-The group has eliminated £27m, indicating a stronger many, despite their sluggish second half which has con- economies. With a gain of economies. With a gain of £300,000 from France, the months of the current year. United States company con-

tributed £900,000 this year ducts divisions maintained against £200,000 last time. profitability, and though New products include a profits fell at the Project device for controlling the burning of fuel in industrial boilers. The group has also started its first distribution company, Hero Electronics, where margins are lower than in its traditional manufacturing businesses, and which is expected to contribute to profits in its third

Bullough, the Epsom-based Management is not for the engineering and furniture present pursuing plans an-manufacturing company has nounced in outline just

to 23.8p, but dividend has been held at 9.35p gross, making a total payout for the year of 15.350 gross. The price of the ordinary shares rose 2p to close the day at 160p, which gives Bullough a

borrowing position has im-proved by about £3m, leaving further acquisitions, it said.

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Bullough (F)	43(49)	3,44(4,18)	23.8(28.1)	8.5(6.5)	25/3	10.7(10.7)
Branon (I)	4.6(5.06c)	0.02(0.06c)	0.7(1.7c)	-(-)		-(1.0)
Dunbar (F)	()	0.85(0.56)	36.2(31.4)	3.7(3.1)	-	7.5(6.2)
Eurotherm (F)	27.5(24.8)	3.26(2.4)	15.3(14.84)	3.5(3)	-	-5(4.5)
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> earnings declined by 13.2 per cent to \$5,520m (£2,952m) in 1981. The decline reflects the depressed petroleum and chemical markets Exxon has experi-enced since the first quarter of Standard Oil of California,

Kalser Aluminium has declared its regular quarterly dividend of 35 cents a share. This was despite expectations by some analysts that Kaiser might cut the dividend due to recent losses in its aluminium operations, which are expected to continue into 1982.

Kaiser's aluminium losses in equal to a deficit of 38 cents a

New York, Jan 27. - Stocks were narrowly higher in moderate early trading and analysis said technical factors were the nain factor behind trading. The Dow Jones industrial average was up about a point,

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BULLOUGH Profits fall

seen a 21 per cent fall in before Christmas to reorga-pretax profits and a 12 per nize the Fleming trusts. cent fall in sales for the year to October. Profits fell from £4.18m to £3.44m and turnover dipped to £43m from £49m. Earnings per share dropped from 28.1p

market capitalization around £14m. The company said its net

with net balances in hand of nearly £1m. This leaves the company free to consider The level of profit is 36 per

ment believes the business is surviving the recession com-paratively well. Mr Derrick Battle, managing director, said the outlook was marginally better than six

son, a director of London and Manchester Assurance, said: "We originally had 17 per cent of United States and General but the merger plan would have shrunk us to .7 per cent: We also did not want a trust in which we invested for overseas exposure to change into one with a domestic bias. He added: "We got together with other leading share

holders, including the Prudential, the Post Office Superannuation Fund and Save and Prosper; and found that we were in broad agreement, though with differences of emphasis. Save and Prosper is 60 per cent owned by Fleming, but it has regard to the interests of its own unitholders. Together we can black the present Fleming proposals."

WINTRUST

High taxes Wintrust, whose banking subsidiary Wintrust Securi-

ties has just been granted full recognition as a bank by the Bank of England under the 1979 Banking Act, reports half-year profits up from £782,000 to £906,000 in the period to September 30. dend is 1.57p gross, making a total interim of 1.7p, a 13 per cent increase over the previous year. This is despite a drop in post-tax profits from £466,000 to £426,000, reflecting an unusually high tax charge. But Wintrust expects the full-year tax charge to be considerably lower as leasing business is booked and profits for the year are also expected to be at record

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fishery protection and coast-guard duties is holding up For the past two decades the well.

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that he has yet to find a British property for himself. "I've got a hotel and a suitcase", he told me yesterday.

ROSS DAVIES

APPOINTMENTS

Succeeding Mr Michael J. Holliday. Mr Holliday is to become a nonexecutive director of Holliday Hall.

Lord Glendevon of Midhope has een appointed to the board of Standard Telephones and Cab-

Mr Tim Hedgcock has been appointed managing director of International Thomson Business Press, the European division of International Thomson Business Press, USA. Mr Hedgcock has relinquished the chairmanship of Computacar but remains on their board. He has also resigned from the board of Wigham Poland

Yorkshire Insurance Company's manager for France, has been appointed general manager for

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PEOPLE

More jobs for the girls?

Gina Connolly and Dorothy. Venables have the job of getting more ladies appointed as non-executive directors.

They are compiling a list of 100 women of "proven ex-perience in a challenging field", which by the summer should be available to head-hunters and the like.

Ms Connolly is a consult-ant with Hay Management Consultants and Mrs Venables is in personnel. They are working on the project on behalf of the Fawcett Society, the group named after the suffragist Dame Millicent Fawcett, which has been campaigning for equality since 1866.

Ms Connolly tells me: "The number of non-executive directors being appointed is increasing quite consider-ably, but because they are appointed from the ranks either of executive directors



and Dorothy Venables the net is not catching

The two women have about 30 names so far. If you think you have another, you con-ract Gine Connolly, c/o The Fawcett Society, Parnell House (5th floor), 25 Wilton Road, London SWIV 1LW.

Halbert's hand off the tiller

John Halbert, who in the early 1970s clinched a deal to supply the Mexicans with 31 patrol boats, is to go back on the road. Halbert, 54, will stand

down as chairman of ABMTM, the London-based



machine tools, ships and education equipment group, to set up deals in marine engineering.

He will become president of ABMTM, a non-executive director and an advisor to the

parent company, Edward Williams Holdings. He will be succeeded as chairman by Edward Williams's chairman Brian Williams.

Halbert, former president of the Machine Tools Trades Association and adviser to British Shipbuilders on defence craft for export, says the market for natrol boats in

Florida for

Joseph Thompson, who is statutory institutions like the Southeast Bank's new man in Takeover Panel and more London, has only had a few recently the Council of the weeks here but already he has seen snow, railway strikes and bodies have staved off most odies have staved off most of the attacks on their responsibility in this field and neutralized any concentrated Florida, where Southeast is the state's largest Bank — but necessarily bad for business.

for business.

One of Thompson's priorities here is to find and to finance the acquisition of property in the Sunshine State for British investors. Life has been so hectic for Thompson since he left Miami, however, was created. And too often was created. And too often the impression has been left among investors, Whitehall and other interested parties that the City's efforts have smacked of locking the stable

Peter Mursell has bee appointed vice chairman of M F

Mr Alan R. Brown, managing director and chief executive of Matthew Hall Mechanical Servicea, is, in addition, to becoming managing director and chief executive of Holliday Hall & Co for improving the safeguards for investors is already stirring up a hornets' nest in the City. to a parochial ramble around

Professor Gower's plan that it should lose its power to Mr Michel Dreux, who has completed 10 years as the in Gower's blueprint towards a more centralized regulatory body will also draw fire from



Another 2 million jobs are needed by the mid-1980s, but companies have been holding back on investment.

German politicians give the jobs bandwagon another push

The West German Government is committed to doing something about unemployinto action that it does not really believe in and which it does not know how to finance.

The news earner month that unemployment omy in tax cuts and journal had touched a 28-year-high of ating programmes since the onset of the recession in and simply has no more The news earlier this 1.7 million proved the care-onset of the recession in lyst that made some sort of 1974, simply has no more government programme to cash to spare deal with the problem inevitable. The figure had been forecast long in advance, just as it is assumed that by the and of this month the number on the dole will have risen to at least 1.9 million and that the dread figure of two million jobless will probably be reached in Feb-

ruary.

But the pressure on the Government to act, stimu-lated by a six-month trade Government to act, stimu-lated by a six-month trade union campaign, built up as parliamentarians returned parliamentarians returned year without risking a run on from their constituencies after Christmas and party strategists pointed to the four vitally important state elections due to take place this variance.

Doubts may be harboured by Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor; Herr Hans Matthöfer, the Finance Minister; Dr Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the Free Democrat Economics Minister; and Herr Karl-Otto Pohl, the president of the Federal Bank, but the bandwagon is rolling, pushed along by a highly competitive Bonn press corps that avidly picks up and regurgitates, without digesting, every hint and supper of possible action emanating from the bureau-cracies of the Government or the political parties. .

the unemployment programme is that it is bound to disappoint in terms of size and is unlikely to have any significant short-term impact

All that can be said about

Oskar Vetter, head of the Government.

door after the horse has

But given the historical sensitivities and complexities of London's financial inst-

tutions, the system has had a coherence even

crisis has put it under more

Against that backdrop, it is

hardly surprising that Pro-

fessor Jim Gower's proposal

Par from limiting himself

the subject, and perhaps some anodyne proposals for amending the Prevention of

Fraud Act, Professor Gower

has produced a root and branch plan to reform vir-

tually the whole of the City's

The Stock Exchange has

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German Trade Union Federation, for a DM50,000m (£11,500m) public spending programme spread over five years is a non-starter — and Herr Vetter knows this just as well as Chancellor Schmidt. West Germany, having pumped well over DM100,000m into the economy in tax curs and job-cre-

Gone are the days when domestic economic and monetary policy could be conducted with a measure of autonomy. Although the German balance of payments may be improving, German interest rates are still governed by developments on the other side of the Atlantic.

The Federal Government

believes that it cannot inthe mark and an increase in interest rates that would produce a vicious circle of greater economic slowdown and increased inflation. The upward movement of long-term bond yields in Frank-furt earlier this month as speculation grew about the possibility of increased bor-rowing subsummianes this

Nobody: in the Bonn finance or aconomics minis-tries denies that there are projects that could be usefully undertaken to absorb some the though the 1982 budget and the medium-term financial plan up to 1985 will channel more than DM26,000m into job-creating projects. The building industry is in deep recession, particularly that part normally employed by the public sector in projects such as road or underground railway building. The unemployment problem is aggraon Germany's jobless prob-lem.

The call by Herr Heinz the same time as the Federal

Oskar Vatter, head of the

Peter Norman

But the Government calculates that a 1 per cent rise in interest rates would add DM8,000m to the cost of industry and so outweigh the benefits that any programme financed through borrowing

back from investment in the hope that the Government might give way during the winter and produce new

6 Although the West German economy is still the strongest in Europe it is having to face up to major structural challenges arising

from a high level of costs at home, increased competition in world markets and a rapid growth in the labour force 9

incentives. For a short while Graf Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister, appeared to be toying with the idea of a state premium towards new investments carried out in the first half of 1982 that exceeded the average of the last three years. No sooner was this pump-priming idea publicised than he retreated, because it would have to be financed through an increase financed through an increase in value added tax and political forthcoming.

Matthofer, political support was not

Finance Minister, also has a pet project for raising taxes and financing new jobs. He would like to raise petrol and mineral oil taxes, arguing growth in the labour force as that it is necessary to keep the children of the 1960s these prices rising to reduce Germany's dependence on imported energy. But such ideas have been received with horror by other politicians of both coalition parties in an election year.

Another fund-raising idea could produce. that has been roundly Another problem is that rejected at Cabinet level was companies have been holding put forward by Herr Vetter. The trade unions, with the support of Social Democrat left wingers, wanted a jobs programme to be financed by a tax on higher incomes, a suggestion rejected on the grounds that it would curb industry's already week pro-

pensity to invest. It appears that the only way to raise funds will be to rejig spending inside the existing budget. But this is a time and nerve consuming process. On past experience it is unlikely to yield more than a few hundred millions for a "fig leaf" programme. for a "fig leaf" programme, which would perhaps try to push a little more public money in the direction of small to medium-sized industries, aid young hopefuls set up their own businesses and perhaps pay for some anvironmental improvements. Such a programme would be bound to attract criticism for being a minimal response to the problem of leagues. These people, after record unemployment. But all, sit on the supervisory government officials argue that in many ways it would be the correct response.

The German economy is in a very different state than at the beginning of the world recession when the Government believed that it was sufficient to pump in money to boost demand in place of that siphoned off by higher oil prices. Although it is still the strongest economy in Western Europe, it is having Western Europe, it is having to face up to major structural increased competition in world markets, particularly from the newly industrializing countries, and a rapid

baby boom complete their education. Against the background of,

at best, slow growth in the western industrialized world, government officials say that two million jobs must be created by the middle of the

This is a daunting challenge that, officials say, can only be tackled through a medium-term strategy. Nobody quite knows what the medium-term strategy is, or if they do they are not saying it too loud. Alongside the established components that fit into any social democratic landscape — falling interest rates as the trade balance improves, a rejigging of working hours, moderation in wage settlements while not forcing a sharp drop in consumption. — is the whispered belief that corporate profits must be allowed to rise. And they must rise sharply to create the invest-ment on which a reduction in unemployment depends.

Although higher profits for the bosses have traditionally been a red rag to the trade union bull, there is a growing hope in Bonn Government circles that the message is sinking in with Herr Vetter and his colboards of German companies and cannot have been oblivi-ous to the record 25 per cent drop in real corporate incomes that the Federal Bank says took place in 1980 and 1981.

Already some of the more progressive union leaders have suggested moving away from simple wage increases in the annual round of collective wage bargaining to seeking other benefits, such to face up to major structural as greater worker partici-challenges arising from a pation in the productive high level of costs at home, assets of his or her company, increased competition in Such a trend could get union leaders away from the annual confrontations over percent-age wage increases that have resulted in higher costs and fewer jobs.
This spring's wage round

should show whether the unions and industrial management are prepared to play their part in facing up to Germany's medium-term challlenge.

challlenge.

If so, the politically induced job-creation programms that is keeping West Germany's politicians fully employed, will be a worthwhile bit of window dressing to bolster the trade unions' prestige and reassure the public that Herr Sch really is a Macher — a man who

last long after the individual economic committee scarcereports are forgotten. A promising method is to send in an "ambassador" — a respected senior (usually retired) industrialist — to ly add up to a consistent joint front that will dispel market fears for the medium term. The President has indeed once again acknowledged

Business Editor

US policy still

lacks conviction

Mr Paul Volcker has cer-

tainly taken some of the pressure off international

interest rates with his hint on Tuesday that a rise in

But the fact remains that

the need to reduce the federal deficit in the years

ahead. But he is not to raise taxes on consumers or cut

back on defence expendi-

ture, while shuffling certain budgetary items from feder-al to state agencies is bound

to be taken as largely

open his views on the

was markets, not the Fed, that determined the price of money, he suggested.

One might argue that ad infinitum. But the pre-emi-

nence of markets, particu-

larly United States markets, as the finest arbiters of

interest rates was also a

theme of Mr Richard Petherbridge, managing director of Union Discount,

when presenting the group's annual figures (see

lead interest rated down independently of what was

happening in the American markets. His own house's

view of interest rates at the

Over the years the "little Neddies" working under the National Economic Development Council — 51 economic development committees and sector working parties — have churned out scores of recorts on the industries

Little Neddies

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hold a company meeting at which all parts of the workforce are represented. That has been tried successfully by the food, drink and packaging machinery sector working party. All five of the meetings held so far have been the first in the firms' history to involve such a wide range of managers and employees in joint discussion of all aspects of the company's performance. And was the first "vertical slice" meeting ever held in the That has been tried success

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at times of extreme trisis in British indusry, for example to draw up a "survival plan" that will prevent a plant closure. If the NEDC can stimulate factory-wide discussion about industrial practice—not just industrial relations—it will have performed a

it will have performed a service whose benefits will

In other words, supply side economics still appear to rule and markets are bound to remain scepticial that the medium-term fig-ures will ever add up to a declining deficit.

As for Mr Volcker, he seems to have been keeping ing ever held in the company! Co-op Bank

A good deal? Administration's approach to its goals. His main concern was to point out The Co-op Bank makes no that one way or another both the Adminstration and aims to win customers from its competitors with the launch of its Cheque and Congress had to ensure that the Federal deficit fell back Save, an interest bearing current account. "We want as the economy started to recover if there was not in encourage customers due course to be a nasty crunch in credit markets. who want to transfer all their business from another His secondary sim was to said the Co-op's Terry Thomas, announcing the terms of the scheme yesterhit back against critics who labelled the Fed a high interest rate institution that was largely responisble for the present recession. It

customers with a Cheque and Save account will be paid interest on their daily credit balances — currently at the rate of 10 per cent, though this will vary. But there will be a deduction of £1.50 a month as a flat service charge, irrespective of the number of cheques

The other high street banks maintain that Co-op must be running Cheque and Save as a loss leader, page 16) yesterday.

He had his doubts that
the Bank of England, or
other European central
banks for that matter, could but Terry Thomas is adamant that First Co-operative Finance, the sub-sidiary through which the account is launched, expects to make profits from the new account.

Barclays and NatWest say they will be keeping a close eye on the Co-op, though they have no immediate plans to follow suit. Mid-land is more specific saying intends to launch similar interest bearing current account, some time

before the end of the year.

The surprise in yester-day's announcement from Co-op was the departure from the original plan of charging 18 to 20p for each cheque drawn. The flat service charge of £18 a year may well render the new account considerably less attractive than the Co-op's existing current accounts when interest paid on Cheque and Save declines.

reports on the industries they cover. Many contained excellent specific recommendations, but few have actually been taken up within individual plants and factories. If, for example, the notional interest rate paid declines to 7 per cent, customers will have to keep So it is refreshing to see So it is refreshing to see that this year's work programme, published by the NEDC today, gives top priority to implementing the committees' suggestions. The starting point for that must be not just to the program of the starting distribute and di an average credit balance of £257 in their account to qualify for free banking. This is considerably less attractive than the free banking while an account is publish and distribute rein credit available on Co-op ports, but to stimulate meetings between management and workforce to discuss them. Bank's ordinary current accounts. Winning cus-tomers from its competitors might prove harder than

Stirring up a hornets' nest

City has been steadfastly PERSPECTIVE: hanging on to its role as the guardian of the securities industry in this country. Through a delicate interplay of self-regulatory and non-PROTECTING INVESTORS

By Ron Pullen

At least, like the Wilson Committee on the functioning of financial institutions before him, he shies away from a full blown Securities Commission, with the sort of statutory paraphernalia enjoyed by, say, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in the United States. Though his sympathies evi-

sently look after their own tion is not clouded by doubts as to whether the system works. Everyone agrees that it does not. And that con-clusion was reached long hefore the series of scandals last year which prompted the Government to review the

legislation.

Five years ago the Department of Trade conceded that such a review was overdue when it published a consulta-

10.14 Defects in the System as of the present system are complication,

No guarter from the professor

rejects this solution as politically impractical. Professor Gower has prob-

ably read the politics of a that the statutory controls Securities Commission cor- were insufficient to cope rectly given the degree of backbeach opposition this would arouse and the fact that the present system is observably not rotten to the core. But it is worth remembering that Mr John Nott, when he was Trade Secretary, was openly critical of the City's handling of the Consolidated Gold Fields affair. And while not part of Labour official policy, there have been calls for an SECstyle body from some left-wing politicians recently.

of Fraud (Investments) Act. And the City long argued were insufficient to cope with a securities industry that had grown significantly in the 1960s and 1970s.

So the key area for debate is whether the ad hoc mixture of statutory and selfregulatory controls administered by a host of different financial institutions can be patched up, reformed or somehow be made to work more effectively or whether

dently lie in this direction, he tive document on amendments to the 1958 Prevention

> it all has to be replaced. Professor Gower's prefer-ence is for wholesale reform

look after themselves, past experience in other areas of the City suggests that the world has changed dramati-cally in the past 20 years and the old cosy structures are unable to cope with the new gets things done. professional world. The banking system had to learn this with the passing of

cies and Government bodies.

may be to institutions like

The Stock Exchange, who may feel that they are able to

However unwelcome

the 1979 Banking Act, which for regulatory purposes cannot give preferential treatment to the clearers, however much they might have wanted it. The Lloyd's insurance market is also having to come to terms with fundamental reform as, in lesser way, are insurance brokers. If the proposals to control licensed dealers (published this month) are put into effect, licensed share dealers will also have to concede that the world has changed.

A great deal of the success or failure of the Gower proposals will depend on the fine print, the precise powers of the new self-regulatory bodies he proposes and the relationship between these bodies and the statutory authorities.

The trouble is that Professor Gower has spelt out too clearly that he wants self-regulation in a rather wider statutory framework. City institutions, jealous of their independence, were unlikely to take kindly to that but it would be a pity if his generally constructive approach was discarded because of this.

Although the Government moved quickly in setting up its review of investor protection when a number of collapses threatened to black the name of investment management this issue does not have high enough priority for the Government to give it special parliamentary attention so that any legislation is unlikely before next year at the earliest.

It will be much longer — and Unlike much of the debate about City self-regulation, the issue of investor protections.

The windesate retorm through a new Securities Act the possibility of tighter statutory controls that much greater—if the City between self-regulatory agendeliberately stands in the way.

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United rely

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transport last sight. Macari moved the winner ofter 72 minutes. United were plainly desperate to climb to the mo of the League which is the one remaining interest left for the city of Manchester now. West Ham, on the other hand, were probably just out to purge themselves of the memory of Sauntisy's FA Cup defeat at Watford, aithough their side, with Devonshire still absent and the Scotsman, Orr., making his debut, had a shuffled air.

Stapleton

Three more players surplus to Bristol City's requirements

gether with the eight they are ying to give away. Terry Boyle, no joined them from Crystal ward justice them around in an exchange deal which took Kevin Mabbutt to the London club, heads the list. The others are Harford, joint top scorer with 10 goals, and the Swedish goalkeeper Woller.

em to go shead with a £500,000 provement plan. The council, who last year ected plans for a new all-seater dium in a £15m shopping commix, rejected the appeal because club have not repaid a £30,000 n from 1974. Maurice Cadman, club chairman, said that less the covenant was lifted to

to the Football Association yester-day to change their decision that clubs playing at home to Chelsea. In all-ticket matches (as stipu-lared by the FA) cannot sell tickets on the day of the games. Norman Wilson, Wrexham's general secretary, said: "Despite the ban on them, hundreds of Chelsea fams were here on Tues-day night and the police instruc-ted us to let them in through the turnstiles. It was better they were inside the ground than locked out and left to room the

at the gate. This meant that foot-

A cruel blow tor Celtic

Dave Provan, Celtic's Scottish International winger, joined the club's growing casualty list yesterday when he underwent a cartilage operation. This came hard on the heels of a broken leg suffered by Scotland under-21 striker Charlie Nicholas and manager Billy McNeill's failure to sten Sandy Clark from Airdrie with a newly spell of marches shead it is a cruel blow to lose first Nicholas and now Provan. It's anyone's guess when either will be back, but meanwhile I've got to look towards strengthening the squad for the immediate future and long term. I would be Second division me and long term. I won't be making any stop-gap signings."

Southerd's middleid player Terry Gray, currently valued at over \$50,000, has asked for a



Today's fixtures



Derby do not tempt Clough

French fix date with Wales

Ham tacked their shints into their chests and survived. Parkes dominated the air, Lampard suiffed out danger, sometimes before it happened, and Bonds looked even more gladiatorial than usual with his hand heavily bandaged.

West Ham even managed to smeak out of defence long enough for Cross to burst clear on the right, only to hesitate and allow Moran to clear. With United beginning to lose faith in themselves Pike, too, got as far as the pensity spot in another West Ham breaksway. At the other end Coppell almost scored just before the interval with a fine volley which Parkes saved Tuesday's football and rugby

for the World Cup finals in Spain.
The team will play six matches
in Australia and two against
fellow World Cup qualifiers New
Zealand as part of the Sydney
club St George Budapeat's Zein
anniversary celebrations.
Kaiman Meszely, the Hungarian
manager, said the team did not
intend to make the same mistakes
which lad to their elimination
from the 1978 World Cup finals
in Argentine.

Rugby Union

France takes to the guillotine to spoil Welsh record in Cardiff

When the French selectory use the guillottee they rarely take half-measures. For the Welsh international in-Caroliti on Sotur-

|Scotland call Tukalo for France

When perseverance paid

The whining ecore was a gift from Bristol. Their scrum half, Martin, was penetized for the minth time for incorrectly feeding the scrum. Holmes, his Laucaster opponent, made the tap, and Daves was on the mark with the draw.

caster also had the satisfaction of progressing further in the competition than they ever have before. Their next opponents will find them well-drilled, dedicated and with a team spirit might upset stronger

Chesworth was admirable

Durham University 26 Loughborough University 16 Longhborough University not Longhborough University have met a dozen times in recent years and there has never been more than a few points in it, including a door UAU final last year, in which Durham triumphed

Exeter find a platform on which to raise their spirits



riming game. Although the Lianelli lock, Phil May, gave aberystwyth the edge in the line-out fartier's accummaging shifty gave them the better platform to launch some telling stracks. Everell and his props took several heek against the head, and though Exeter lost their outstanding bucknow man. Thousley, within five minutes of the start, they led 6—4 at the interval.

The wing, Dressett, picked up a citip ahead for the first try

Walker's try, was licked by the Devon centre, Hogg, Aberystwyth finished strongly, Emyr crossing after another fine move by the home backs, Clements kicking the comparison.

neither side was able to capitalize to any great entent, though the play of their coloured flanker, kmarn, and the hooker, Conlan, gave Manchester led 6—3 at the interval. Smith landing one penalty against Worral's two. Smith was wide with an attempted drop gost which would have levelled matters and in the second half each player added a further penalty.

Tennis

Stricter code is promised after McEnroe verdict

John McEnroe will not escape so easily if he is punished for bad behaviour at Wimbledom again this summer. The 22-year-old American has avoided paying a fine of £2,500 imposed by the All England Club after his antics at Wimbledom last year.

A three-man tribunal, which heard McEnroe's appeal in New York, decided by a majority serdict that the fine should stand. successful because a manimous verdict was required.

Fred Hoyles, the Wimbledon referce who was involved in McEnroe's arguments during last year's championships, is concerned about the decision. "Can justice really be seen to be done when the voting was 2-1 in the opposite direction?" he asked.

McEnroe, however, will find that the players' code of conduct has been tightened considerably if he puts himself in a similar position after this year's Wimbledon championships. David Gray, Secretary of the Men's International Professional Tenuis Council, which governs the grand prix which governs the grand prix tournaments, said: "For one thing, the need for a maninous verdict in such an appeal has been done away with. In future, a majority decision will be

By Jim Railton
The Amateur Rowing Associa-

The Amateur Rowing Association council upheld the four mombs ban from competition on Olympic carsmen Robertson and Rankine at their quarterly meeting on Tuesday for "removing four special squad blades and four seats (rowing) from the ARA boathouse at Hammersmith at the beginning of August and retaining them until the equipment was recovered at the end of October".

The equipment was recovered as a result of police action. The

ARA had reported the equipment stolen. By coincidence, a man arrested after a theft at London Rowing Club was questioned over the ARA equipment and was able to give information which led to the arrest of Barbinoard Poble 2018.

to give information which led to
the arrest of Rankine and Robertson. The ARA stressed in a
press release yesterday, however,
"The council wishes to make it
absolutely clear that no question
of theft on the part of the carsmen arises" and the ARA were
instrumental in having charges
against the carsmen dropped.

I think everyone would agree
that the carsmen in question

Four months ban upheld

on Robertson and Rankine

Man who lets his racket do talking speaks up for Borg for new

From Bryan John
Delrey Beach, Florida, Jan 27
Ivan Lendi decided fairly early
in his career to follow the advice
of his parents and the example
of Bjorn Borg, and let his racket
do all the talking, But occasionally he feels the need to express
his opinions—politicly and, of
course, off court.

Yesterday, during the WCT
f150,000 rourniment here, proved
to be one of those occasions. The
subjects were WCT's breakaway
from the official chrunic and
Borg's decision to qualify for the
major rournements rather than
meet grand prix demands to play
more events than he thought
beneficial for either his game or
his general wellbeing.

Lendi had just beaten American
Mel Purcell in the first round
when he was asked about the
grand prix ruling that the 16-man.
rournament was an exhibition.
"They might consider it as
exhibition ", he replied, "but I
htm't. exhibition ", he repned, "our intent." I think it is a very good tournament and good for business. I'm not saying the grand prix circuit is bad but the competition from WCT events will improve it."

Then he switched his attention to Borg's plight. "He has done a lot for tenuis over the last five

acted foolishly in not returning the equipment sooner. But I still consider, as reported last week, that the whole matter has been blown up out of proportion. A four mouth han, effective from January 1, 1882, eliminates the oarsmes from taking part in the annual Head of the River race and as they may have been selected for the ARA, the han could be a proverbial case of cutting off the nose to spite the face. The ban is, in effect, a shabby testimonial to an oarsman such as Robertson, who has competed in Great Britain's colours for no less than 12 years, winning a

in Great Britain's colours for no less than 12 years, winning a world and Olympic silver medal Robertson told me yesterday:
"We did not expect the ARA to make a U-turn, but an appeal was necessary because everything was coincidental and unintentional."

tional."

The ARA's ban will generate resentment from the Thames Tradesmen club who have been a mainstay in the National team for more than a decade and paradoxically, from time to time, have actually lent the ARA National squad rowing equipment.

Fourth division

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or six years", he said, "and should be allowed to take six mosths' rest if he wants it. No one should push the top players to play more tournaments. They are only human beings and they will get thred and bored. That's what Borg did."
Finally, the 21-year-old Caech, who admits he learned to behave on court when he was briefly banned from the game by his parents only two or three years ago, talked about his plans. "If I don't want to play a particular number of tournaments I won't," he said, "I will do wint I won't." the only way I'm going to get really much tight, so I've decided to stick to my plan to play another times weeks in the States, despite the fact that I don't really like staying away from England that long."

Breughel figures in Pacific

landscape From John Ballantine La Jolla, California, Jan 27 La Jolia. Califorma, Jan 27
Jack Nickians and Ton Watson
fit sharply, like stirrly Breagnel
figures, into seascape scenes of
finishand golf, whether they are
playing at Tumberry or Birkdale
in our Opens, at Pebble Beach,
Cypress Point or Spyglass Hill, in
northern Califormia next week
competing in the Bing Croshy
tournament, or here on the magnificent North and South courses
of the Torrey Pines manicipal
club, in the San Diego Open.
Nickians, who was 42 last
Thansday, won here in 1969, and
Watson in 1977 and 1980. Nicklaus, after winning the US Open,
and PGA Chambiouships in 1980,
finished title-less last season,
even though he actually won. finished title-less last sesson, even though he actually won £3,000 more prize money than in the year before.

"It was kind of frustrating to finish second in the Masters, the Canadian Open (behind Peter Oosterhuis) and the Invertey tournament hear my home in Florida, and I'm planning to do more positive things this year," he says.

Skiing

Bad turnout

programme

From Dudley Doust.
Schladning, Jen 27
A soft fall of snow, covering the tous prudently laid down by snow-making machines, has promised ideal racing conditions for the world alpine dismuniousland which begin tomorrow in the attractive Austrian 1992 of Schladming.

notes smarten downful specialist, Genry Soremen, withdrew from the discipline after handsomely witning the last training race prior to the event. She did so to allow her team mates a better chance of findshing well and, therefore, improving their FIS ranking in future starting positions in world cup races.

For the men, the turnous will be poorer still. Phil Makre, of the Duited States who was all but certain to win the world combined title this season is not entered, nor are such downfull luminaries as Steve Podborski, of Canada, Franz Klaimer of Austria, Harty Weitather or the Swedish sistomist Inguar Stemmark. Weirather or the Swedish statusist Inguiar Stemmark.
FIS are putting a hrave face on
this rebuilt, elatining partial vicfory because each nation has
promised at least one entry and,
besides, applications are not
closed. "If the experiment fafa,
say a Mexican or a Chinese gny
wins it", Gino-Franco Casper,
their sacretary general said yesterday, "It will be a logical
decision to cancel the overall
World Cop combinations in the
future."

future."
It is difficult to expand or It is difficult to expand or divert innerest from the men's downhill race, to be held on Sunday, over a course that was set by the host nation's team manager, Charles Kalm, who was known to fancy a fast track with few turns. The Canadian team, strong in downhill competitors, issued a few mulfied grumbler over this Austrian track and today were still attempting to explain away Pothorsic's eleventh and Ken Read's twenty-third place finish in the World Cup last Sunday at Wengen. Fischer, the Austrian Si-makera, had given them inferior equipment, they reckoned.



Hoping that practice makes perfect. A woman skier sets off for a downhill run before today's event.

Fischer have since offered to test these faulty goods on nearby mountains. Meanwhile the psychological battle hots up with the home hero, Rlammer, butsting with confidence today after achieving the fastest training run

duct of the Cairngonns; Nigel of the day.

Rritain, for practice and in hope of improving their FIS rankings, are entering virtually all their skiew in the combined events. It is a nine-member team which, apart from Komrad Bartelski, a downhill veteram, "are here for the experience". The women are all young Scots girls: Monica Langmuir, whose father is a mountaineer in Avienore; Cair Booth, from Perth; Lesley Beck, from Dumbarton, and Relicity Boothe of Edinburgh. Smith, who learnt the sport on Smith, who learnt the sport on the plastic slopes of Surrey and Nick Wilson, a Canadian statomist, who opted to ski for Britain by virtue of his British parentage.

Bartelski, whose Polish father flew with the RAF, comes with unique oredentials: on the strength of his current form, which includes that fine World Cup second place last month at Val Gardena, he fs the first male Briton to have earned a privi-

Behind Bartelski among the men are Frederick Burton who

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India win clinches one-day series

From Richard Streeton Cuttack, Jan 27

India batted with splendid India batted with splendid judgment and aggression here today to win the third one-day international by five wickets. Some wayward England bowling was mercilessly flayed as India reached their target of 231 with four overs in hand to clinch the pand do spring 21 A. Vadida. one-day series 2-1. As India's remarkable and thoroughly deserved triumph was completed, spectators used newspapers to light dozens of celebratory bonfires in the stands.

bonfires in the stands.

This was a marvellous match of fine batting unmarred by umpiring controversies or any other disputes. For England, the acknowledged masters of limited overs cricket, to lose the first one-day series staged in India, was completely unexpected. India in recent weeks have shown that they have overcome any past apprehensions about this form of cricket and have improved match by match. On sheer merit today overs cricket, to lose the first one-day series staged in India, was completely unexpected. India in recent weeks have shown that they have overcome any past apprehensions about this form of cricket and have improved match by match. On sheer merit today, they emerged as the better side. England, put in to bet, were confronted by a greenish pitch at its liveliest, but even so their start was always too slow. Although they scored 104 rons from their last nine overs, with Fletcher leading the way, it only brought them a score of 230 for six from 46 overs. It should still have been enough to defend but first Gavaskar and later Patil punished some loose bowling so assertively that India's victory looked certain long before it was finally achieved. India have already proved themselves the better team in the Test matches. Now they have made the same point unequivocably in instant tracks.

India had to score at five an over and they managed to do this from the start and thereafter never faltered. Gavaskar, who has a dismal one-day record.

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India had to score at five an over and they managed to do this from the start and thereafter never faltered. Gavaskar, who has a dismal one-day record, flung his bat flercely time and time again to send the hall through the covers against Willis and Botham in their opening spells. and Yashpal continued to find the gaps and the score mounted.

spells.

India had 54 runs on the board after ten overs, with Willis punished for 23 runs and Botham for 29 runs, and the innings never lost its momentum later. Whether a chance offered by Gavaskar when he was six and the score 15 if accepted would the score is it accepted would have changed the pattern will never be known. Gavaskar slogged the ball high above his own head and Botham, the bowler, dropped the swirling chance in the extra cover area. Arun Lai, India's new opener, soon edged a catch to second slip and Vengserkar did not last long either, mistiming a catch to deep mid-off.

From John Woodcock

the best-of-five final Australia,

needing 235 to win, made 218 for nine. The West Indies victory, their first over Australia under the Sydney lights, was worth £18,000 to them.

Why no more than 19,984 people came to see the match is

something of a mystery. Many seemed to be suspicious, though wrongly, of the way West Indies put Australia in to bat here on Tuesday and were then beaten. Bank clerks, lift operators, bairdressers and steeplejacks.

threw the match.

It is more likely, I think, that those who have been coming to these matches either dislike the zenophobia they create or find the manners offensive, especially.

Some, too, must be running out of money. Others may, for the moment, have had their fill of one day cricket. Certainly a total of 101,000 from the four finals.—



Gavaskar: punished Willis and Botham

Botham was bowled trying a left-handed reverse sweep, the fifth wicket stand having put on 80 in 10 overs. There was no stopping Fletcher though, who continued to score from almost every ball and hit another six over long on against Nayak. Fletcher, even in Sunday cricket has never hit more fiercely. In the last over he ondrove Madan for another six, survived a catch to midwicket that Gavaskar dropped before he was bowled having another swing.

At the time it was felt that his 69 in 52 balls had salvaged England's pride and match expectations, but before the end the Indian batsmen had far outshone him with their own brand of exciting stroke play, even if England's bowling was disappointing.

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s	ENGLAND	_
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à	T Bothem, b Nayek	-59
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	† R W Taylor, not out	- 2
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ì	gaps and the score mounted. Gower drove and pulled in	FR W Taylor, not out
l	immaculate style and shared	Total (6 witts, 46 overs) 230
6	useful stands with Cook and	J K Lever, D L Linderwood and R G D Week
Į.	Botham before he was out to the	end not but. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13. 2-33, 3-86,
_	first false stroke he made. Trying	4-101 5-181 6-228
ı	to pull Patil to the legside Gower	SCWLING: Paol Dev. 8-3-23-0; Maden
,	skied a high return catch.	Lal. 8-0-56-2: Nayak, 10-1-51-1, 394atrl,
1	Botham judged the situation	10-1-34-1; Path, 10-0-53-2.
5	correctly and two huge hits	INOLA
	brought him sixes over long on	*8 M Gevesker, at Taylor, b Underwood 71
7	and square leg against Patil, who	Arun Lai, c Gooch, b Botham 9

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	*8 M Gevesker, at Taylor, b Underwood	7
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	D B Yengserker, c Willrs, b Gooth	1
	S M Patt, b Underwood	- 6
	Yashbel Sharma, not out	3
	Kapil Dev. c Goods, b Underwood	
	A Mahore, not out	2
•	Extres (-b 7, w 2, a-b 3)	1
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brought him sixes over long on and square leg against Patil, who conceded 13 runs from two successive overs. Fletcher was fortunate when he was I1 and the total 159 when he mishooked against Madan Lal and Kirmani and Arun Lal let a high catch drop between them in the backward square leg region. In the same over Fletcher marked his escape by first ondriving Madan Lal for six and then stepping back he swatted him for another over extra cover. Total (5 witts, 42 overs) 23 † S. M. H. Kirment, S. Neyek, & Media: La T 5 M H KIRMAN, 5 Heyek, 8 Median Lal and R J Smeatr tol not but. FALL OF WICKETS, 1-19, 2-69, 3-136, 4-184, 5-184. BOWLING: Wille, 8-1-29-0; Bothem, 8-0-46-1; Lever, 10-0-48-3, 8-0-32-1; Underwood, 10-0-48-3, 10-0-48-1; Lever, 10-0-48-3,

Australia were in with an outside chance. But Richards bowled the over-confident Border. If the

of beating much the same West Indian side in the first of the one-day finals out here two years

ago. Looking back on it, that was a good performance. On their showing today West Indies could best the rest of the world put together — at one-day cricket

G M Wood, c Lloyd, b Holding.

B M Lard, flw b Gerner.

G S Chappel, c Richards, b Clark E

X J Hughes, c Lloyd, b Richards.

A R Bodder, b Richards

D W Hookes, a Greendops, b German

Aintree form the best guide

By Michael Seely

Fate travels down some tor-tuous paths. One hundred and fortyfive years after Jem Mason galloped to victory on Lottery in the first Grand National at-Aintree, it was strange to be Aintree, it was strange sitting in a North London botel at-Ladbroke's huncheon to announce the publication of the weights to what may be the final running of the world's most

famous steeplechase.

Ladbroke's sevenyear lease expires in May and after the revival of Aintree's fortunes.

Words and Three To One, who imished fourth last season. Bob Champion said that Aldantic had only been back at Findon since just before Christmas, "Due to the freezeup we have only been able to work he horse seriously in the past week. I have not yet sat on his back as he is Josh Gifford's ride at home. All

Cavity Hunter Stient Valley

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Rolls Ram

Ascot, the race he won last year.
He'll probably pop over a couple of fences beforehand. There's no point in doing any more as we can't usach Aldaniti anything about jumping." Stan Mellor expressed himself as being satisfied with Royal Mail's weight of Hist. 10th, which gives him a 7lb poll with Aldaniti for a sixlength defeat last year. "I'd rather that one of the Gold Cup horses had been entered, so that Royal Mail would have had less to carry on his back. But he's fairly treated with the other horses in the race."

Philip Rischer will once again.

revival of Aintree's fortunes under their expert management the responsibility now shifts back to Bill Davies, the chairman of the Walton property group, the owners of the site.

However, there was plenty to think about as those trainers and jockeys, who will be involved in April, gave their news and views. Aldaniti, last year's winner, has been raised 10th in the weights and has been set to carry 11st. 9th. Not surprisingly, Aldaniti is favourite at 12-1 with Ladbrokes, who offer 14-1 against Royal Mail, 16-1 Grittar and Ottery News, 20-1 Deep Gale, Loving Words and Three To One, who finished fourth last season.

what caused him to make that vital mistake at the second last."
Grittar has been given 11st 5lb. This hunter chaser will be trying to go one better than Spartan Missile, who finished runner-up in 1981. His ownertrainer, Frank Gilman said, "Grittar has been given shout 5lb more than I expected, but at least it means that Dick Saunders will be able to do the weight". being well Aldaniti will probably

the West Country-trained Ottery
News finished third behind
Diamond Edge is last season's
Whitbread Gold Cup.

Deep Gale, one of the Irish
challengers, will run at Leopards
town on Saturday. His trainer,
Eddie O'Grady said: "Deep Gale's
sowner, John McManus, is desperately keen to win the race. If this
is to be the last running of the
National, what more fitting
resting place could there be than
for the final trophy to be on an
Irishman's manticpiece." Mr.
McManus, a fearless and intrepid
gambler, is at present playing
backgammon in Miami, O'Grady
is hoping to obtain John O'Neill's backgammon in Miami, O'Grady is hoping to obtain John O'Neill's services for Deep gale. But, at present, the jockey has been approached to ride the north-country trained, Megan's Boy.

Richard Head's two entries. Border incident and Uncle Bing, have been allotted 12st and 11st 7th, respectively. "Border lucident is unlikely to run," said the Lambourn trainer. "He has been given too much weight, and I am going to train him for the Cheltenham Gold Cup".

All being well, Uncle Bing, the

All being well, Uncle Bing, the brilliant winner of the 1980 Topham Trophy, will depinitely be in the line-up. "Uncle Bing might run at Cheltenham on Saturday. If not, he will definitely have a race within a fortnight's time". Read would dearly love to see-John Francome reunited with Uncle Bing, but this supreme artist may be required to ride Rough and

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Racecourse threatened.

Horse racing at Great Yar-mouth may cease as the local Labour group, which controls the borough council, has said it would like to see the 62-year-old council-owned course shut down. Members do not believe the council receives a high enough return from the 15 days of recing

A report has been published suggesting housing, camping and recreation as alternative uses for the course, which is on prime land just outside the resort.

The Newmarket Bloodstock agency established a new record price for a New Zealand-bred yearling when paying 360,000 New Zealand dollars for a Marceau II filly out of Gold Beights at the Trentham Sales.

Huntingdon programme

1,45 OFFORD HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £890: 21/km) (22 runners)

Weights and ages for the 81 entries

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3.15 TOTE CHASE (Handicap: £1,875: 3m 100yd) (15)

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1004b2 COLONIAL LAD (Duke of Alburquerque) F Winter 9-11-8 .

Huntingdon selections

England win on a wide

two in Melbourne and two here in Sydney — is a great many fawer than expected. Wellington, Jen 27. - A wide A second wicket partnership of in the last over brought England 138 between Greenidge and Richards made sure of a good West Indian total, although, after World Cun match today. With a five-wicket victory over New Zealand in their 60-over women's World Cup match today. With England meeding one run to win, Debbie Hockley, was brought on to bowl in place of Jackie Lord, who had conceded 40 runs in her 11 overs. Miss Hockley's first ball was a wide and a game which

80WLING: Lilies, 10-4-30-1; Thorson, 10-0-80-2; Pascoe, 10-1-48-1; Malone, 10-1-80-1; Chappel, 10-2-34-0.

Highlights for West Indies

son, who was left to bowl four-of the last eight overs.

Cuttack, Jan 27

The Benson and Hedges World Series Cup was won here tonight by West Indies, whose victory by 18 runs gave them a 3 — 1 whaning lead over Australia in straight drive off Clarke being

little better than he has veen, one straight drive off Clarke being much more like his true self. However, after the first of the two drink intervals — these being mandatory in each imnings — he

mandatory in each innings — he mishooked Clarke to square leg.

Wood and Hughes put on a brave show, and while Border and Bookes were together,

match fewer.

west moian total, atthough, after 25 overs, the score was only 57. Richards played beautifully and Greenidge very well. They were heading for 250 or more when Richards, sent back by Greenidge, was run out from square leg by Laird. Being inadequately shod, Richards stimmed was settled. inadequately shod, Richards slipped, as seems to happen more and more.

In fact Richards was "run out" before he had scored. That he was given "in" means of course, that he was not out: it was simply the evil eye of television which showed that the umpire was wrong. Lloyd, ouce again true to form, Lioya, once again true to form, gave of his best and Bacchus played boisterously. Dujon, with no time to pay himself in, did as well as could be expected. The most economical of the Australian bowlers were Chappell with his gentle medium pace, and Lillee; the costlicat was Thom-

BCWLING, Tedaton, 11-4-3-32-3; Betweek, 9-8-27-0; Starling, 12-3-21-1; C. Hodges, 12-4-34-2; Starling, 12-0-45-1.

Latest European snow reports

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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great British. L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following report has been received from a tourist board:

tying was lost.

England, chasing New Zea England, chasing New Zealand's target of 169 in 56.4 overs, made 170 for five in 59.1 overs to gain four points. The result left them in second place behind the unbeaten Australians with 22 points from their nine games, four points more than New Zealand who have played one

Hockey

How Northern perfection lost out to luck

By Joyce Whitehead

North 0 Duffett scored the only goal on a good grass pitch at the university, Wylam, Newcastle upon Tyne, vesterday and it was perhaps a fortunate one. Two defenders attempted tackles before the ball trickled between the goalkeeper's legs during the first half. The North had 75 per cent of attack but failed to finish, appearing to wait failed to finish, appearing to wait for the perfect shot. Meanwhile they were frequently dispossessed

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Taunton programme

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Taunton Selections

2.30 NEW YEAR CHASE (DIV III: Novices: £1,470: 3m 1f) (12)Wr M Ade 3.0 HAIG WHISKY HURDLE (Novices: £1,043: 2m) (14) 3.30 WINTER CHASE (Handicap: £1.668; 2m 3f) (12)

22 24 27	32/21-0	BURRDGE (Mrs R Herriques) M Herriques 16-10-0 Subre ALOHA PRINCE (B Howard) J Clark 10-10-0 A Wet JUST PREP (Mrs R Moviem) J Moviem 6-10-0 R Roy
12 6	11-10 Res	test's Gerden, 4 Sparten Major, 11-2 Grey Facilier, 5 The Herb, 10 Dewn Fox Ince, 20 pthers.
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Book makers pay on Little Owl

Punters are to be paid ent in full for forcasting the result of the Fulwell stepplechase at Kempton Park last Saturday BOLA. The betting office licenses association, announced that there is no reason to withold payment of successful 141-1 forecast beauther race. on the race.

on the race.

Bookmakers were advised not to pay-out the computer straight forecst on the winner, venure To Cognac (5-2), and Great Dean (56-1), which paid 514-27 ip a 10 stake BOLA launched an inquiry months of the control of the

stake BOLA launched an inquiry on Monday into betting on the three-horse race in which the 11-4 on favourise. Little Owi, was pulled up.

A number of BOLA members broke ranks earlier this week and paid out bers, and the organization's general secretary. John Worrall, in a statement, said "The BOLA security consultant has completed his inquiries fund the nature of betting in the 250 race, at Kempton on Saturday, January 23, and reports that there is no reason to withold payment of certain forecast bers struck on the race."

mercy Rimeil, who sadded Rorqual to win first time out over fences at Nottingham on Tuesday, performed a similar feat at Wolverhampton yesterday with Celtic Isle, who jumped division of the Bescot Novices Steeplechase.

Cumbria trainer Roger Fisher and jockey David Goulding, who were cleared by the Jockey Clah yesterday over the Newcastle running of Ekbalco, were out of luck at Newcastle, when 11-10 favourite Burn Nooka was beauen by the 33-1 chance Worthy by the 33-1 chance Worthy Heiress in the Moorben Novices Hurdle (Div 1).

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Hurdle (Div 1).

John O'Neill gave the massive
Sun Cloud a splendid ride to
snatch a last — stride victory in
the Swan Novices steeplechine.
Sun Cloud made a series of
jumping errors, and on the home
rurn, his chance looked remote.
But he suddenly responded to
O'Neill's driving and, although
making another mistake at the
last fence, managed to overhaul
Romen Con on the line. Roman Con on the line.
Tim Lasterby, son of trainer
Peter Easterby, said, "Sun Cloud
is the biggest horse in the stable. and he tends to be rather clums; at the fences.

Wolverhampton results

Going, good. .45 (1.46) BESCOT CHASE (DW IT RIVINGS

2.15 (2.19) RESCOT CHASE (Dry II) Ind

2.45 CHARRY CITY CHARE (Handlott In) abt 27 penetry value £1,920; 3 km abt 27 penetry value £1,920; 3 km abt 5 penetry water £1,00 penetral abt (Capt J Lumaden) 7 10 7 P Warner (16-

Tota Wir: 87p places: 43p, 18p, 18p, 18p, 19p forcest E2.01, C.S.F. E8.50 Trionet £3.53. J Edwards At Ross-on-Wys, Vil, 11f, Cardon't Lad 2-1 fev. Levrn Meet (14-1). 81. 13 sex Ni Crmonde Tudor. 3.18 HANG WHINKY HARROLE (nov £1.185; 2m)

Newcastle **Going:** Heavy

.30 († 32) MOORNEN HUROLE (DR ngwices: £1,018: 3m 120yds)

TOTE Win: 34p places 14p, 27p, 6; Ous! forecast: 43p, CSF 21,60 W Stephenson at Bishop Auctiond, 10l St 4 Master Moonshine (11-4 lev) 4th, 14 rate 3.0 (2 4) CHESTED GRESE HURDLE (41,62)

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Snooker



Davis pots £300,000 deal

the next tax year, a figure now more accessible after the £300,000 constact he signed yesterday with John Courage. The contract, which is over three years, will, in part, be dependent on Davis's success in furne interpretational courage. in funge international roumaments. He is the holder of the world, United Kingdom and English snooker titles and the smounts paid to him will be scaled down if he loses any of these titles. Barry Hearn, Davis's manager, explained that he would lose £20,000 for each

Steve Dayis (above) the Davis will provide his new world champion, could be sponsors with a unique promowell on his way to becoming tional vehicle within the brewsnooker's first millionaire, ing industry, as Brian Baldock, Sydney Friskin writes. He is their marketing director, exerceted to earn \$500,000 in plained at a press conference the next tay way a figure now in London according to the press tay way a figure now in London according to the press tay way a figure now in London according to the press to the press of ing industry, as Brian Baldock, their, marketing, director, explained at a press conference in London yesterday.

Courage are also particularly

conscious of the fact that the has historically been the public houses and working men's clubs. Customers in this environment will now have the

vironment will now have the opportunity to see Davis play in exhibition matches
Davis said: "I am delighted to be associated with this sponsorship, particularly because it gives me the opportunity to play in clubs and meet the kind of public with which I started my career".

Meo's momentum puts him in the driving seat to pot the yellow. He won the frame easily enough to reduce the lead to 2—4. Meo built steadily on his early

Sydney Friskin

Tony Meo, one of the rising young players in the internetional another circuit, showed his paces against David Taylor in the first round of the Masters' tournsment, sponsored by Benson and Hedges, at the Wembley conference centre yesterday. Meo won by live frames to two and qualified for the quarter-fixed round where he will meet Chiff Thorburn, of Canada.

Meo is one of those players who has the nonemial to go to

who has the potential to go to the top but has not yet expressed in terms of resolut. One of his best strokes yeterday was seen in the first frame when he doubled a red off a side custion into a corner project. From that soubled a red off a side costion into a corner pocket. From that moment his piny became dest, compact and well-controlled. He had failed his driving cest last week but was in the driving seat

week but was an are carving sear
y exterding.

As Meo gathered momentum
the breaks began to flow. He won
the third frame, which enabled
him to go into the lead with a
clearance break of 93. Taylor,
quietly competent, had won the
first frame with more sase than
the score suggests. Meo raised his
game and by three frames to one.

A break of 58 was the basis
of Meo's success in the fifth
frame and abthough Taylor
cleared the table with a break of
41, Meo was too far ahead. Taylor was not to be denied, and in
the sixth frame he responded
with a brilliant break of 69
which ended when he just failed.

Mee built steadily on his early lead in the seventh frame to lead 68—6 and there was never any doobt about the outcome, despite a splendid fightback by Taylor. Doug Mountjoy took play well past midnight to beat John Spenoar 5—4 on Tuesday and earn his place in the quarter final round, where he will meet Steve Davis today.

Mountjoy's victory was well thought out considering the time he took to decide what to do. He obviously believed it unwise to take liberties with a campaigner as shrewd as Spencer, who would probably have preferred to play a different type of game.

This match promised much at the start, with Mountjoy making a break of 67 in the first frame to bring out the best in Spencer, who took the second frame with

to bring out the best in Spencer, who took the second frame with a break of 76, eventually to clear the table with 41. But the partern changed, the frame score moving slowly to 2-2 at the interval and 3-3 later after a glow and steady grind.

The fact that the match ran its full course gave proper value for modey, but the chimax could hardly have been described as exciting.



Squash rackets

Sweet rescue for ISPA

The International Squash Players Association championship has been rescued by a timely £15,000 spousorship from Thorntons, the confectioners. The tournament, in danger when the previous spousors, Smirnoff, pulled out last week, will be staged at Abbeydale Park Club, Sheffield, from March 3-10.

Former world champion Geoff Hunt, of Australia, is expected to defend the ISPA tile he won in Belfast last year. Jahangir Khan, of Pakistan, who captured Hunt's world crown in Toronto three months ago, is also expected to be in action at Abbeydale, along with the majority of the world's top 40 players.

Rugby League

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Surprise moves in the market By Keith Macklin

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Two surprise moves in the transfer market occurred yesterday. Adrian Alexander, the Oldham and former Harlequins forward, was placed on the list at £28,000 while Ellery Hanley, the promising Bradford Northern half-back, asked for a move.

Alexander, who captained Harlequins before moving north two seasons ago, has returned to live in London. Although he offered to return north to train twice a week, this offer was rejected by the Oldham club, who regard it as "impractical".

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Rackets/Real Tennis

Standard appreciably high

By Roy McKelvie

Hugo Akerman and Alastair

Drew reached the last eight of the Rackets, and Michael Joynson the final of the Real Tennis singles in the Army Championsings at Queen's Club yesterday. The standard of the two rackets matches

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Akerman beat John Wooton by 15-11, 15-9, after the loser had led 11-6 in the first game and looked as if he was just the better all-round player. Akerman had to step up the pace, strengthen his service, and attack Wooton's forehand before saving

Wooton then went off to compete in the Army under-25 squesh rackets championship, then the full Army championships at Aldershot, and later in the evening, to return to Queen's Club for more rackets.

Joynson, who learned Real Fannis at Oxford University, beat David Reed-Felstead 6—1, 6—5, after the loser had led 5—2 and Reed-Feistead's inexperience and bit of lock that saved the

RACKETS: second round results: A S G Drew best A Wolstenholms, 15-8: 15-9: J H S Alternath best J D Woolen, 15-11. 15-9. J D Woolon, 15—11. 15—9.

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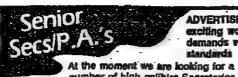
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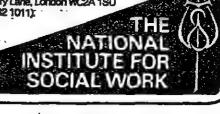
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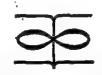
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responsible for some of this change. But it has masked the more fundamental implications of the steady technological modernization in industry which has been going on for more than 30 years.

The effects of the microchip are already with us. The revolution in office technology has radically changed the skills required from changed the skills required from clerical and secretarial staff as well as the work for which they are responsible. The gradual introduction of micro-based manufacturing methods, the rapid development in telecommunication and the consequent advances in information technology will have a similar effect in every sector of similar effect in every sector of industry and commerce.

These changes have already made themselves felt in, for instance, printing and journalism, and future prospects in potential car manufacture, public transport and engineering. They will soon affect the skills and qualifications

Public disenchantment with the education system is not discourag-

ing new entrants to the teaching

profession. In fact applications for postgraduate teacher training courses are about 60 per cent up on 1981. This reflects not only the

general tightness in the employ-

ment market but also the tra-ditional status of teaching as a

reliable graduate career.
Whether all the trainees will find jobs is another matter. Recent

figures reveal unemployment rates

ranging between 10 and 20 per cent for those who qualified last year, and 1982 is not expected to be

Reduced staff numbers are compounded by the new demands being made of teachers.

The imparting of practical skills and preparation for working life is

now regarded as a top priority.

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policy statement from the DES entitled The School Curriculum.

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Job seekers, if they are to be successful, will have to anticipate change. They will need to become adroit researchers, able to master and exploit the sophisticated methods of obtaining information available to them, and eager to take advantage of the flexibility that new methods of working will generate. To accomplish this, they will need to foster a substantial degree of pragmatism, self-confi-

Anyone embarking on a career is therefore obliged to become something of an astrologer. Applicants not only have to discover and acquire the skills and qualifications needed now; they also have to divine those which they will need in the future, and to ensure they will have access to any necessary retraining facilities. dence and resourcefulness.

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This development will provide a able luxury, and teachers of arts sharp contrast to the traditional subjects, for example, may feel it picture of the teacher lecturing more important to help their pupils servied rows of pupils, particularly to complete a job application form in the field of continuing and adult

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microelectronic education pro-gramme and the consolidation of the "core curriculum". To cope with such a disparate

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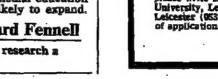
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to expand and it should eventually for the purely academic teacher allow teachers to spend more time

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4.20 Secret Squirrel: cartoon; 4.45 Jackanory: Jan Francis reads Jo Rice's Bravo Baltasar 4.40 Huckleberry Finn and His Friends: Episode 4 of the Mark Twain story. Tom's · "engagement" to Becky is over.

5.05 John Craven's Newsround; 5.10 Blue Peter: A cheap way for model railway enthusiasts to make a forest of trees for their OO gauge set. 5.40 News: with Richard Baker. And weather.

6.00 South East at Six. And, at 6.25, 7.00 Tomorrow's World: Special radar systems

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result of the six months spent by cameraman Rodney Borland and his wife Moira among the Chacma baboons in the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. 8.30 Goodbye Mr Kent: New comedy series begins. With Richard Briers as the journalist lodging with Hannah Gordon.

9.00 News: With John Simpson. And weather

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9.25 Shoestring: The radio station private eye
(Trevor Eve) is on the trail of a missing
1960s pop star after a record request has
been received from a dead girl. There's also a mysterious cover-up attempt in the music business. With Michael Craig, Anne Bell and Lance Percival (r).

10.20 Question Time: Another question-and-answer sessin, with Robin Day in the chair. His panel tonight consists of Gerald Kaufman, Opposition spokesman on the environment; Geoffrey Rippon, former Conservative cabinet minister; Barbara Switzer, an official with TASS, the white-collar section of the AUEW; and Julie Tallon, who runs her own export busine 11.20 Top Sailing: The spotlight tonight is on the big boats. Bob Fisher follows the first fourday Sea Horse Maxi regatta which was

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12.30 The Suffivans: Australian family serial, set in the last war; 1.00 News from ITN; 1.20 Thames are news; 1.30 Take the High Road: Scottish estate serial; 2.00 After Noon Phrs. Four. couples talk about their experience of retirement; 2.45
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2.40 Danish Music. Recital by the Kognig Ensemble: Holmboe, Nielsen, Steen Pade, Hans Abrahamsen.†

3.30 Covolleria Rusticana. Opera in one act by Mascagni (sung in Italian; records).†

4.55 News. 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure with Roger

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Plans abandoned for compulsory health insurance

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

a compulsory health insurance scheme to increase the re-sources available to the National Health Service. Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for the Social Services, after examining a report on possible ways of financing health care, has decided to go no further with a reform which would have entailed a major administrative upheaval and encountered the hostility of the Labour Party.

The decision means that the NHS will continue to be mainly financed from general taxation. At present the proportion of its costs met from taxation is about 90 per cent

The Conservative Party has ine Conservative Party has for several years been actively interested in new ways of raising resources for health care. In 1976, Mr Patrick Jenkins, the party's spokesman in opposition, suggested that there might be a link between the indexweige of the NMC. the inadequacies of the NHS, with Britain the only advanced country where patients "had to face the torments of the waiting list, and the fact that it was a highly centralized system, financed largely through taxation, which was free at the point of service.

The Conservative Party manifesto at the general elec-tion in 1979 referred to possible greater reliance on the insurance principle for NHS funding, as used by many Continental countries. Generally, the citizen is obliged to join a recognized health

The Government has aban-insurance scheme, paying doned any idea of introducing premiums in return for certain minimum benefits.

But the Royal Commission on the Health Service, which reported in 1979, opposed such system. The commission said a system. The commission said it would not itself lead to more resources being devoted to the health service; and that admin-istrative costs could be high, more people to handle them.

More damningly, the commission said that an insurance system would introduce a new

principle: that a different standard of health care within the NHS would be available to those who chose to pay for it. This argument has all along been conclusive for the Labour Party, who would not counten-

ance any change which required people to pay for treatment as a matter of course, even if the payments were reimbursed from the insurance funds. A mistaken report that the Government was contemplating such a change provoked angry charges in the commons last month when Mr William Hamilton, Labour MP for Fife, Central, told the Prime Minister that any threat o the basic principles of the health service " would create a revolutionary situation ".

Since his appointment last September Mr Fowler has shown himself wary of making a change which might ena change which might encounter grave political difficulties, at a time when the
government has enough of
those, for questionable financial advantage. Most of his colleaguges share his judgment.



Weapons seized with **Briton in New York**

senied any knowledge of a Briton arrested by New York police who called him " some kind of mercenary".

Paul Arthur, aged 27, who gave his address as Sander-stead Road, Croydon, south London, was arrested after a car chase. Found in the car were a Uzi sub-machine gun, a Colt 48, 24 armour-piercing bullets, a full clip of ammunition and a pair of binoculars,

weapons.
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Brooklyn police said: "He is not staying anything. He is one very cool customer."

Last night neighbours in Groydon described Mr Arthur as a bodyguard and former heavyweight bozer, who specialized in security operations on transfers of jewelry and money. He was known for long trips aboard and last seen in trips aboard and last seen in November.



Architects back down over fees

Leaders of the erchitectural rofession surrendered yesterday to government pressure for changes in rules for fixing fees. The Royal Institute of British Architects published new draft rules which will allow himited price-curring and abolish the present system, which obliges members allways to charge according to the institute's fixed scale of prices.

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Mrs Sally Oppenheim, Minister for Consumer Affairs, said the proposed changes would enable the Government to drop its threat to enforce reform by law. Mr Patrick Harrison, secretary of the institute, said:

"Insofar as fees are subject to negotiation, it is likely that

it will reduce the income of the profession a bit."

Mr Owen Luder, president of the institute, said that the institute would not have gone so far if there had been no threat of legal enforcement.
"Our members have to face the political realities."

It is almost fourteen years since the former Prices and Incomes Board made the first in the present series of official complaints about the way architects' lostitutes oblige their members to charge a single scale of prices for each type of work.

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission made similar criticisms in 1977 after hearing of

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resentment against the rigid fee system, which ruled out any element of bargaining were chosen. The institute agreed to move from mandatory to recommended price scales, but decided to campaign against price competition.
It tried late last year to win

the tacit support of Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, for its case that price competition among architects would lead to a deterioration in service, which might leave the country with a modern heritage of sub-standard buildings. Mrs Oppenheim has accepted

limited. A proposed new in-stitute rule, approved by her, says that "a member who is offering services as an inde-pendent consulting architect shall not revise a fee quotation to take account of the fee quoted by another architect for

would receive short shrift" from the institute. Mr Luder said: "Enforcement is always difficult, but this will not be so difficult, because if this thing is not done fairly then someone who is involved and gets the wrong end of the stick will yelp".

Secrets breach inquiry into dead PC's report

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Thames Valley police are an interview with Mr Fairout charge. concerning a confidential police report. The policeman who wrote the report, Det Supt Philip Pairweather, aged 58, committed suicide, in retire-ment last December, after the inquiry began.

On Tuesday Mr Stephen Scott, a producer with London Weekend Television, was arrested by two Thames Valley officers under the Official Secrets Act and questioned at a London police station about

weather. He was released with-A spokesman for the tele-

vision company said Mr Scott was questioned about his journalistic researches for a programme which was never transmitted for legal reasons. Some of the research was used later for an article in the

New Stateesman magazine in the summer of 1979, written by Mr Scott. Police are concerned about the possible circulation of the report among journalFrank Johnson in the Commons

The Nuneaton Flyer is cancelled

Yesterday saw the debate dency of some people to pre-to which Opposition MPs of fer the dole to working. all parties had been looking. Within the limitations forward for more than two caused by their unwillingness forward for more than twoand shalf years, the one
about the three million unemployed. But first some
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The reader may suspect this quality strategy alto-You will be kept informed.

The reader may suspect conditions before abandoning that this column has spent nearly two days on the subject of the totally unknown Mr Huckfield because it wants to avoid the subject of unemployment. That unworthy suspicion is correct.

The reader may suspect on international economic conditions before abandoning this quality strategy alto gether and plunging down market. Here he has always been formidable.

His change came when Dr David Owen, for the Social Democrats, got up and constitutions in the conditions are conditions.

In contemplating intellec-tual skullduggery, we have in this space a high tolerance threshold. We tend to see politicians as lovable rogues rather than actual knaves. But debates on unemploy-ment place this benign arti-tude under a certain strain. First, they are rather unpleasant. When Members say
terrible things about one another on these occasions
they seem to mean it, which
they never do when, for example, they are happily accusing one another of being in
favour of rape. favour of rape.

Second, several of the actual causes of unemploy-ment are never mentioned

cancelled yesterday.

Mr Donald Stewart interspolist the Labour backbencher Stewart is a Scottish Nationa-

Democrats, got up and com-plained that for 15 minutes Mr Tebbit had not said any thing constructive, but had simply talked about the pass. Mr Tebbit said he had been diagnosing the problem. "If he as a doctor, treated his patients without diagnosing them, I can see why he came to the House of Commons he added. From then on, Mr Tobbit.

was in command of the situs-tion. Oil prices and Japonese productivity statistics were forgotten. The lack of A. Labour or SDP alternative was the new subject Mr. Michael Foot, slumped in front of Mr Tebbit, muttered for fear of Members sound, ing too right-wing. This is true even of the right-wing. ers. One has in mind such causes as unions pricing young people and others our of work; rent control making it difficult for workers to move and find accommodation elsewhere; and the ten-

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The Daily Mirror says "If Mrs Thatcher is to make the U-turn that will rescue the economy, she will have to start twisting the steering wheel this morning. The Frankfurter Rundschau, commenting on Britain's economic policy, says lack of success has made the Government unsure of itself: "Its steps are marked by uncertainty which the Government calls flexibility The Daily News of New York says Reagan's "new federalism" will work the greatest revolution

Travel: Rail road, sea, air

No trains today; no overnight trains tonight. No very early trains tomorrow, and delays and cancellations likely, especially in the morning. For times of first trains call station inquiries, or pre-recorded message on 01-246 8030. Roadworks

Emergency parking Emergency car parks for private vehicles open all week while rail disruption confinues include areas in Hyde Park, Regent's Park, St James's Park, Victoria Park, Hackney, Dulwich Park, Peckham Rye fairground, and sign-nosted parks near and sign-posted parks near Bethnal Green and Mile End Underground stations.
For NCP space availability, call 01 499 7050.

The London Tourist Board has made special arrangements to help workers to book hotels in the city; call 01-730 3430 before 5.30 tonight for bookings over a range of hotels; or bookings can be made in person at National Tourist Information Centre, Victorial Starton from 9 and to 8.30. toria Station, from 9 am to 8.30

Air

mal until tomorrow. . Pre-recorded air travel infor-mation on 01-246 8033. Airport buses

Airport buses

Regular services to and from Gatwick (Flightline 777: from Victoria Coach Station, hourly and every 20 minutes during rail strike, takes about 70 mins); Laton (Flightline 757: from Victoria, Eccleston Bridge, half. hourly, takes about 70 mins); Heagthrow (Flightline 767: from Victoria Coach Station, half-hourly, takes about 40 mins); Call 47322 42341 or 01-222 1234.

Anniversaries today Births: Henry VII. Pembroke Castle. 1457; John Baskerville, printer and typographer, Wolver-ley. Worts, 1706; Henry Morton, Denbigh, 1841; Charles George Gordon, general, Woolwich, 1833. Deaths: Charlemagne,

Sea

Parliament today

Aachen. 814; Henry VIII, Lon-don. 1547; Sir Francis Drake; off Porto Bello, Panama, 1595; William Boller Yests, Roque-brune-Cap-Martin, France, 1939. Lords (3): Social Security (Contributions) Bill, committee.

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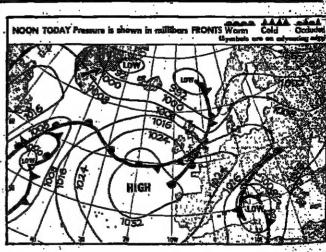
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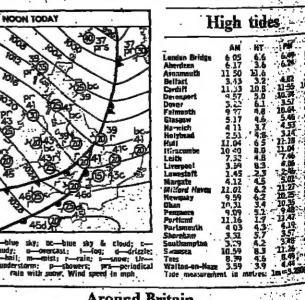
Scotland : A1 : Lane closures on Milton Road East. Edinburgh.
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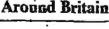
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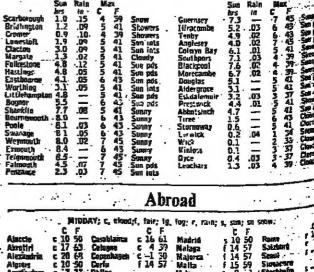
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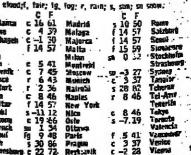
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Paintings by Jack Smith, Michael Johnson, Sue Smith and Helen Wilks, Bridge Street Gallery, 7a Bridge Street, Bath, 12.30 to 5.30.

17th to 19th century Japanese

art. Adeane Gallery, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, 10 to 4.50.
Prints and watercolours by Michael Cullimore. Anthony Davies and John Macfarlane. St Paul's Gallery, St Paul's Street, Leeds, 10 to 5. Talks, lectures

The Appalachian Trail, illustrated lecture by John Merrill, Central Library, Le Mans Crescent, Bolton, 7.30.

Auction viewings

English pictures, 9 to 4. Christie's, South Knsington: European ceramics, 9.15 to 12; Oriental works of art, 9.15 to 10; printed books, 9.15 to 4.30: Art Nouveau and Art deco. 9.15

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London: The FT Index unchanged at 568.9.

in American government since the New Deal—if he can bring it off: "It will require the active cooperation of states and cities, or it won't fly."

Roads Congestion likely during peak hours because of rall strike; the AA advises commuters to share cars if possible, and to stagger departure times. For pre-recorded information on road conditions and road-

Kondworks
London and South-east: M10:
Northbound carriageway closed overnight; diversions via A405 and M1. Mi: Northbound exit closed overnight at junction & themed Hempstead). Mi1: Lane closures between junction 5 (Loughton) and 7 (Harlow). (Loughton) and 7 (Harlow).

Midlands and E Anglia: A5:
Roadworks near Streaton, Staffordshive. A45: Temporary signals near M1 junction 16, and between Wellingborough and Little Irchester. Northamptonshive. A14: Southbound lane closures on Huntingdon by-pass.

North: A6120: Lane closures on Leafe gener ring road near

Accommodation

SAS flights resumed to and from Copenhagen, but services not expected to be back to nor-

Nutional Express Air-Coaches run regular services to Heathrow and Gatwick from many provincial centres: also to some regional airports: Details from actredited travel agents, National Bus Company offices; or call (11-730 0202...

Pre-recorded sea travel information on 01-246 8032. Postal delays Because of the rail strike, mail may be slightly delayed.

on Leeds owner ring road near Westwood Lane. A1(M): South-bound lane closure at Scotch Corner, N Yorks, A1: Lane closures between Sciby and Westerby.

Wales and West: A360/A361:

Northgate Street/Long Street closed at Devices; diversions. A487: Temporary signals near Brynch between Caernarfon and Portunadog. A390: Temporary

signals at St Blazey Gate, Corn

Because of Sealink dispute, no Newbayen/Dieppe ferries operat-ing. For special coathes to ports during rall disruption, call 01-328 4142 or 01-834 2345, or Sealink

offices, at ports.
Disruption to Guernsey services: ferries callings from Jersey, but not outward sallings from Weymouth or Portsmouth, Cali 0705-812 315, 0703-29753 or 0481-24742.

Commons (2.30): Debate on Opposition motion on failure of Government's economic policy.

The Times list of best-selling books

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Mr Harrison said that architects who broke the rule and tried to undercut excessively would receive "short shrift"

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5W, NW England. Wates, Lake District: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, snow on hills, becoming drier with zaney intervals; wind SW, fresh, increasing to strong to gate force, veering HW; max temp 7 to 9C (45 to 45F).

Isle of Man, SW Scatland. Elasgow, Cintral Highlands. Arrytt, N Ireland: Fain, snow on hills, gamy-intervals; soon developing but also showers, weatry on hills: wind S, strong to gate force, veering W; max temp 6 to 7C (41 to 45F).

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